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LATE TRANSMISSION OF ALLIED TERMS

Mystery Flash Of Japanese Surrender Leads To Victory Revelries

LONDON, August 13. (Reuter): The hopes of an early cease fire in the Far East were damped to-day when Tokyo announced that the official text of the "Big Four's" reply to the Japanese surrender offer sent from Washington by way of Switzerland at 10 p.m. (I. S. T.) on Saturday was received by the Japanese Government only to-day through Swiss Legation.

For over 48 hours the world has been tensely awaiting news of the Japanese decision and Washington is puzzled how the "Big Four's" reply has taken so long to reach Tokyo.

WHY THIS DELAY?

The Swiss radio tonight quoted a Swiss Foreign Office statement saying that the Japanese News Agency report that the Allied reply to the Japanese surrender offer was received early today was not true. The receipt of the Allied reply was confirmed by Japan on August 12 at 09-35 hours.

The radio added that the Allied reply was not transmitted through the Swiss Legation in Tokyo, but through the Japanese Minister in Berne.

The Swiss radio did not state whether 09.35 hours was Swiss Time or Japanese Time.

The reply reached Berne less than two hours after it was handed to the Swiss Legation in Washington for transmission on Saturday and is believed in Washington to have been sent on to Tokyo without being subjected to the delaying process of coding. Thus, apart from communications difficulties between the Swiss and the Japanese capitals, there seems to be no reason why it should have taken so long.

The Japanese announcement of the receipt of the "Big Four's" reply was the only reference to the surrender negotiations made by the Japanese News Agency up to 10-30 p.m. (I.S.T.) and a "Reuter" report from Berne says the impressions prevails there that the Japanese reply will not now be received to-day.

In Washington, the Presidential Press Secretary, Mr. Charles Ross stated at 9-15 p.m. (IS.T.) that 'no reply has been received up to this minute". If the Allied offer was only received in Tokyo today, the Japanese he pointed out, would only have had the Allied terms for a little over twelve hours. "perhaps, that accounts for the delay", he said.

NO TIME LIMIT

A formal denial was made at the White House this afternoon of the reports that a time limit has been set on the acceptance of the Allied offer and that attacks on Japanese would be redoubled after the expiry of the specified period.

William Hardcastle, Reuter's correspondent in Washington says the position now is that the Japanese are under no time limit to make their decision.

The press attache of the Japanese Legation in Berne told the "Associated Press of America" this morning that the Japanese answer to the "Big Four" surrender terms had not yet arrived in the Swiss Capital.

The Japanese reply has been awaited since last night. The Under-Secretary of Foreign Affairs, Stuckl remained in his office awaiting the Japanese Minister Kase, who was expected momentarily.

JAP EMPEROR SUMMONS TOGO

The Domei News Agency announc-

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"CONTACT GUAM"

ABOARD A BRITISH BATTLESHIP OFF TOKYO, August 13. (Reuter): Admiral Chester Nimitz, Commander-in-Chief of Allied naval forces in the Pacific, now aboard this ship, has invited the Japanese to contact Guam by radio if they need means of communication with the Allies.

No More Talk Of War Now!

WASHINGTON, August 13. (Reuter): President Harry Truman had only one diplomatic appointment for to-day. That was a meeting during the morning with the Chinese Ambassador, Dr. Wei Tao Sing.

Dr. Wei Tao Sing, said after the meeting: "Good news is coming. I am very glad the war is nearly over".

Asked when the Japanese reply could be expected, the Ambassador replied: "The news will come. We have no longer to talk about the war now. Post-war problems lie immediately ahead."

Even before the peace had been signed, Washington moved toward reconversion to a peace-time economy, says the "Associated Press of America". President Truman called into conference Secretary of Labour Schwellenbach, Economic Stabilizer Chester Davis and officials of the War Labour Board and the Office of Price Administration.

There is no change in the White House arrangements for V-J Day. The President will proclaim Victory Day only after the terms have been signed. That would be three days after Tokyo accepts the surrender terms.

MORRISON SEES ATTLEE

LONDON, August 13. (A.P.A.): Prime Minister Attlee went to his office at 10, Downing Street, early to-day as crowds gathered outside in the hope of hearing the news, that Japan had accepted the Allied surrender terms.

In the morning, his only caller, was Mr. Herbert Morrison, Lord President of the Council.

The British Foreign Minister, Mr. Bevin, conferred to-day with Mr. Alfred Duff Cooper, British Ambassador in Paris at the Foreign Office.

No Choice For Mikado

(From Our Correspondent)

LONDON, August 13

Sir Robert Cragie ex-British Ambassador at Tokyo interviewed by the "Daily Express", answering a question whether the Emperor can take orders for Allied C.-in-C. and still remain Emperor said "Technically not, but as his country is beaten, he has no alternative between that and abdication. My guess is he won't abdicate but accept the situation to save the country from further troubles and destruction."

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Difference	Nil

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Cotton	Rs	404	0	0

JAPS SURRENDER IN BOUGAINVILLE

LONDON, August 13 (Reuter): A New York radio report states that Japanese troops on Bougainville have surrendered.

Bougainville, the largest island in the Solomons, is about 130 miles long. It is 900 miles north-east from the northern tip of Australia. The Chief fighting has been in the south. Some 6,000 Japanese had been killed there up to the end of July.

The first Allied landings were made on November 1, 1943, and fresh landings in March and June this year.

CHUNGKING REPORT

An 'Associated Press of America' cable from New York says:—Chungking radio to-day quoted the official spokesman of the Chinese High Command as saying that Japanese troops in Chekiang province had stopped fighting because "the terms of Japanese unconditional surrender terms were being considered. The statement, which was said to have been made on Sunday, was not confirmed by any other source.

The broadcast said that according to an army spokesman, a liaison officer had been despatched to the Chinese First Ground Division in that area "to negotiate the surrender."

It added: "It was also disclosed that Japanese troops were being disarmed in that province". None of this report has been confirmed.

Chinese Reds Act With Soviet Army

NEW YORK August 13.

Brussels radio heard by the "Associated Press of America" in London said that the 18th Communist Army Group in north-west China has launched a strong offensive in co-operation with the Soviet Army against the Japanese in China and Manchuria. Brussels radio quoted the New China Agency for the broadcast.

According to the "United Press of America" the Radio Yanan announced that the Communist Commander-in-Chief General Chu Teh has ordered Communist forces to attack the Japanese at all points.

The order also said that Communist troops had the right to enter any town held by the "enemy or puppets".

A spokesman for the Chinese Ministry of Information in Chungking said that General Chu's order is illegal.

SURRENDER TO REDS

The Radio Yenan also broadcast a report of the New China Agency which said that the Korean Independence League has called on Korean soldiers in the Japanese Army and Korean civilians in occupied North China to surrender immediately to the Chinese Communist armies.

The report said that the League sought their aid to build "a new democratic Korean Republic" and warned that Korean soldiers who fail to desert will be punished as traitors and war criminals.

A spokesman for the Korean Affairs Institute today said that Korean are ready and eager to rise against the Japanese as soon as the signal is given.

The spokesman estimated that the underground included "every able-bodied adult". He added that the underground began thirty-five years ago and became so strong that the Japanese have been forced to continually increase their military garrison.

Countess Listowel Seeks Divorce

LONDON, August 13. (U.P.A.): An application by Countess Listowel to have made absolute a "decree nisi" of divorce which was granted to her last January against Lord Listowel, recently appointed Postmaster-General, comes before Justice Hodson of the London Divorce Court to-day.

Dollar King Meets Tory Leaders

PROMISE OF FINANCIAL MESS INSIDE OF SIX MONTHS

(From Our Correspondent)

LONDON, August 13: Mr. Churchill will be Prime Minister within six to 12 months, a prominent Conservative told me, adding how when victorious and defeated Conservatives alike who visited Mr. Churchill in the morning after labour's victory, in order to extend sympathy came away feeling elated that Mr. Churchill had assured them that Conservatives would not be long in political wilderness. That there is some truth in this is evidenced when I discovered Lady Cunard—belonged to Windsors' set before abdication days—giving large parties at the Ritz Mayfair and Dorchester at which Tory leaders were celebrating. Conservatives with whom I talked either did not know or refused to give reasons why Mr. Churchill and his associates were in such high glee. Pursuing inquiries I learned that Lord Beaverbrook and Mr. Bracken before elections were seen by Bernard Baruch an American Financier who had assured them that in the event of Labour coming to power, United States would refuse to underwrite "Socialistic experiments of Britain."

Returning to Conservative circles I discovered they expected that the new Labour Government would be involved in a financial mess inside six months and would gladly welcome Mr. Churchill's return.

LABOUR DENIAL

Labour circles laughed at the idea and denied Conservatives' attempt to sabotage the new Government through intriguing with American financiers.

Towards the end of the week Conservative circles were not sure they would be returning to office inside 6/12 months. Their Dorchester and Ritz celebrations died down. Rumours began to circulate that even Mr. Eden was not inclined to remain long as a prominent parliamentary figure, and that he had given up hope of returning to the Foreign Office this side of 1950.

Another rumour said, Mr. Churchill was devoting more time in writing memoirs giving less time to Parliament. What had changed to Conservative opinion? Mr. William Clayton, assistant Secretary to the United States Treasury arrived in London heading an American delegation and had friendly talks with Sir Stafford Cripps President of the Board of Trade, as a preliminary to the International Trade Conference at Washington next spring that has been called by President Truman.

Wall Street opinion is not any longer American public opinion and Labour Government, if it carries out its programmes need not be afraid of any unfriendly attitude from the United States.

SOCIALIST PROPOSALS IN SPEECH FROM THRONE

Plan Of Britain's Silent Revolution Will Be Divulged Tomorrow

LONDON, August 13. (Reuter): The world on Wednesday will hear from the King in Parliament the programme of Britain's first Labour Government, with a widespread Socialist policy and the power to enforce it, cables Reuter's Political Correspondent.

The address from the Throne, which is the constitutional means by which successive British Governments announce the details of their policy, will indicate what the new Labour Government hope to accomplish in the first session of the new Parliament and will give also a broad outline of its plan for Parliament's anticipated five year's span of life.

Measures to relieve Britain's acute national housing shortage are expected to receive high priority in the speech together with important Socialist proposals which it is proposed to introduce at an early date. These are firstly, nationalisation of the Bank of England and establishment of a National Investment and Development Board and secondly, nationalisation of the coal mining industry.

FIVE-YEAR PLAN

Other measures which are included in the five-year plan, but may not be tackled with the same urgency are: Firstly, nationalisation of public utility industries—gas and electricity supply—which, meanwhile, are run partly by private companies and partly by the municipal authorities and which operate at the moment, under a wide range of conditions of service tariffs and standards:

Secondly, nationalisation of other key industries including iron and steel;

Thirdly,—though this is a measure to which all parties to the Coalition Government were equally committed—enactment of a great scheme of social insurance for rich and poor, from the cradle to the grave.

While all the parties were agreed upon the principle of this scheme, Conservatives and Labour were divided upon the interpretation. Labour demanding in certain directions more generous benefits than the Conservatives would concede.

BILL THAT CHURCHILL DROPPED

The plan may be considerably amended. Certain urgent measures which are not strictly Socialist in character are expected to be announced. Outstanding of these is the Supplies and Services Bill which gives the Government power to maintain through the transition period from war to peace control of prices and materials necessary for public good. The Coalition Government introduced this Bill, but it was dropped by Mr Churchill's Care-taker Government.

The King is merely a vehicle of expression of Government views, though he has the right to study the details of the address from the Throne and suggest alterations or improvements of phraseology.

His Majesty accompanied by the Queen will drive in State to Parliament accompanied by Captains escort of Household Cavalry. He will make the speech in the House of Lords which has been used as the House of Commons since the Commons Chamber was destroyed in the heavy German air attacks in the early part of the war.

To-morrow's issue of the "Bombay Chronicle" will contain an exclusive article by Sir John Anderson, M.P., Chancellor of the Exchequer in Mr. Churchill's Government. The article will be about the atomic bomb, its nature, and possibilities and implications. Sir John Anderson, it may be added, was responsible for atomic research in Britain.

Socialist Ultimatum To De Gaulle

PARIS, August 13. (Reuter): A motion urging that the French Socialist Ministers should quit Gen. de Gaulle's Government unless its election scheme is modified was carried last night at the French Socialist Congress in Paris for submission to the Congress Steering Committee, cables Harold King, Reuter's special correspondent.

The proposal is in direct conflict with the view of party leaders who are largely responsible for the Government's electoral scheme based on the modified form of proportional representation.

The motion also pointed to the British example and said that the withdrawal of Labour members from the Coalition Government on the eve of the election had "proved very successful tactics".

AZAD'S OFFER TO JINNAH

Prepared To Share Wavell Correspondence In Confidence

GULMARG, August 13. (A.P.I): An assurance to the public that the correspondence between Lord Wavell and himself relating the Simla Conference whenever released for publication will reveal nothing that will not satisfy everyone of the goodwill of the Congress towards all parties and of its firm determination to accommodate them all for fruitful co-operation was given by the President of the Indian National Congress, Maulana Abul Kalam Azad in an interview to the "Associated Press of India".

Maulana Azad said: "In a recent statement to the Press regarding the correspondence between Lord Wavell as Chairman of the Simla Conference and myself, Mr. Mahommad Ali Jinnah desires me to overlook the ruling of the Chair and publish it.

I need hardly emphasise the fact that I have sought the permission of the Chairman of the Conference for the publication of our correspondence for it would hardly be consistent with the conduct of public affairs if I did not agree to abide by the ruling of the Chair.

I can, however, assure the public that the correspondence between Lord Wavell and myself relating the Conference whenever released for publication will reveal nothing that will not satisfy everyone of the goodwill of the Congress towards all parties and of its firm determination to accommodate them all for fruitful co-operation.

"I can assure Mr. Jinnah or the rest of the country that there is nothing in the correspondence which would support many of the suspicions to which expression is being given.

Consistently with the proprieties of public affairs, I would be prepared to share the said correspondence with Mr. Jinnah in confidence should he desire it and thus while respecting the ruling of the Chairman of the Conference, satisfy the President of the Muslim League personally that the purpose for which he would like to see it published is irrelevant to the issue.

The other questions based on the hypothetical contents of this correspondence do not arise."

STOP PRESS

NO REPLY FROM JAPAN YET

WASHINGTON, August 13 (Reuter): The White House announced at 6 p.m. G. M. T. tonight (12-30 a. m. I.S.T.) "There is still no news from Japan. No reply has been received."

MORE SOVIET GAINS

MOSCOW, August 13 (Reuter): During today, Soviet forces in the Far East continued the offensive in Manchuria, said a Soviet Communique issued tonight.

The Communique said: "Troops of the First Far Eastern Command overcame enemy resistance and captured the towns and large railway stations of Hulin, Shoybuldzy and one other town and the railway junction of Dennifou and several other towns, railway stations and other inhabited localities.

Our troops advanced from 15 to 45 kilometres.

CHIANG PULLS UP CHINESE REDS

CHUNGKING, August 13 (Reuter): Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek today rebuked Gen. Chu Teh, Commander of the Eighteenth (Communist) Army group in north-west China, for telling his troops to accept Japanese surrender and take over Japanese arms. In a firmly-worded order he told him never again to take independent action.

The order quoted by Graham Barrow, Reuter's special correspondent, read: "China, the United States, Britain and Russia are now conferring on questions related to Japan's surrender offer with a view to arriving at a joint decision. I have ordered our troops to stand by for further instructions from the National Military Council and hold themselves in readiness to execute such terms of surrender as the Allies decide upon.

The Eighteenth Army group and its component units are hereby ordered to remain at their present posts and await further directions.

OBEY ORDERS

They should obey the orders of the war zone commanders. Government has made thorough provisions and decided upon the ways of disarming the enemy, of looking after war prisoners, dealing with puppets, recovering lost territory, restoring order and administration etc. Troops are hereby warned never again to take independent action."

The Chinese Vice-Minister of Information, Mr. Hollington Tong, stated today that General Chu Teh's action would not result in civil war in China.

Another spokesman of the Ministry of Information said that General Chu Teh's "abrupt illegal action" has created very unfavourable impression.

This, he said, came on the top of Yenan's (Communist) rumour campaign for civil war in China.

No one was permitted to accept surrender of the Japanese or their puppet forces except those authorised by the Commander-in-Chief of the National Government.

WARNING TO JAPAN

A spokesman at the Chinese Ministry of Information branded as "unauthorised" an order, reported to have been given by General Chu Teh, Commander-in-Chief of the Chinese Communist Forces, to seize arms of the surrendering Japanese and Chinese puppet troops, says an Associated Press of America cable.

The spokesman declared that the Central Government would hold Japan strictly accountable for any arms the Japanese and their puppets might surrender in China to any other than the Commanders duly authorised to receive them.

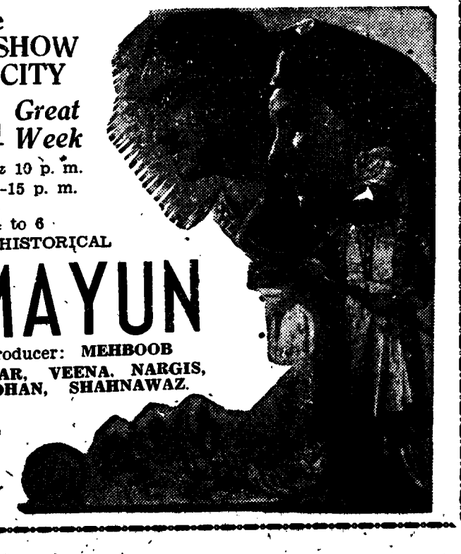
TOKYO TACTICS

In London informed quarters believe that reports that Japanese Commanders have actually surrendered to the Communist forces in Yenan may well prove accurate, says Reuter's diplomatic correspondent today. The main theme of recent Japanese propaganda has been to play up the conflict between the Chinese Government in Chungking and the Communist forces in Yenan. The object, the correspondent adds, is clear enough. Japanese leaders hope to weaken China by provoking a serious split between Chungking and the Communists and so to prevent the Japanese defeat from coinciding with a period of Chinese consolidation and national progress.

To the Communist Commander the offer of surrender carries with it the great temptation of control, not only of Japanese-held territory but of Japanese arms and equipment.

Chinese quarters in London believe that for some time the Japanese have been deliberately fostering Communist infiltration of areas in order to magnify the internal problem with which the Chinese Government will be faced.

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B. M. Birla Calls For Legislation To Limit Over-All Costs

Commenting on the status of Indian Insurance Companies Mr. B. M. Birla, Chairman, Ruby General Insurance Co., Ltd., presiding at the 9th General Meeting held on the 10th August, observed:

"The voice of Indian Companies so far has been very feeble in the Insurance Associations which are dominated by foreign interests. The time has come when the representatives of the Indian Companies should have greater voice in the various Committees. The various Indian Insurance Associations should be strengthened and should further the cause of Indian Insurance vigorously.

Referring to the progress of the Company he said:

"Despite the war situation characterized by stringent control resulting in depletion of stocks etc., with a consequent decrease of premium, our accounts disclose a very successful year of trading. The Company has now attained a position of great stability derived from a substantial volume of business distributed throughout the country which be-speaks of the confidence inspired by its method of working.

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Life expenses have been high this year on account of the cost of transferring the Head Office and records back from Delhi to Calcutta and of further extension of business in new territories.

BRIGHT FUTURE FOR INDIAN INSURANCE.

The long protracted European war has at last come to a successful end and the end of the war in the East too is in sight. That end will terminate a number of the difficulties through which we have had to pass during the past five years. Though there will be a fall in prices and in War Risk rates resulting in a shrinkage of premium yet this should be more than compensated by an increase in the quantity of stocks and an increase in the number of industrial concerns which are envisaged in the post-war period with a resultant all-round increase in insurance business.

We welcome the new Indian Companies that have been started during recent years. They will add to our strength immensely and we should now be able to stand on our own legs. There is great scope for the development of insurance business in and outside India. All that we require is close co-operation, good faith and the spirit of mutual aid. Given these things we can be sure of making substantial progress in the field of business. The total General Insurance business in India at the end of 1943 according to the Insurance Year Book was Rs. 763 lakhs out of which the Indian Companies' share was only Rs. 289 lakhs. That shows the great scope we have for expanding our business if only joint steps are taken by us to educate the public about the desirability of placing their insurances with the Companies of their own country. There is no reason why the concerns under non-Indian management should not insure with Indian Companies as they have grown and thrived on Indian soil and are financed in the majority of cases by Indian capital.

I should like to make a reference here to the amendments proposed to the Insurance Act. There has been going on in our country a race for more and more business at higher and higher costs. This has begun to strike at the very roots of Indian Companies which are in the infant stage working wholly within the limits of their own country. Such unhealthy competition has not the same consequence for foreign companies having strong financial resources and world wide ramifications. There is some controversy as regards the limitations of over-all costs. We have tried our best individually and through the various Associations for years to have matters set right but despite all the efforts we have made, the situation has gone from bad to worse. Surely we have had enough of the very bitter experience of higher and higher costs during war time. No one would wish to have any more of it. Should we wait till the lesson is learnt by each and every Company as it must be sooner or later or are the results of the past few years sufficient to open our eyes and make us realise that it is high time we put our house in order? The answer is plain. Sound business can only be built upon foundations which are solid.

The amendment of the Insurance Act in the year 1939 which limited the agency commission improved the situation to a certain extent but this was a partial control over the cost of acquisition and it is desirable that this control be perfected.

Looking to the circumstances as they are, I feel convinced, that only legislation which would limit commission and expenses that is, the over-all costs, would enable us to establish business on a sound basis.

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M. A. Wadud Khan, General Secretary of the Bombay Students' Union, has issued the following statement:

So far the University authorities have not responded to the tremendous agitation that has been going on throughout the Bombay Presidency and Sind regarding the excessively low pass percentage in Matriculation results this year.

Failure of as many as 20,000 students is a matter of serious concern to all those who desire the progress of education in the Presidency. It cannot be denied that the Matriculation results this year reveal a low standard of education as compared to what the University and the examiners expect from the students. But if a proper enquiry is made, it is certain that the causes of low standard will be found to stretch over a number of years and most of them are likely to be beyond the control of students. If an enquiry is not made into the causes of failures and steps taken to remove them, it is obvious that next year the same story will be repeated and another 20,000 students if not more will suffer the same fate. Already the percentage of people who can send their children to school is very very low and if out of every 10 that get this opportunity, 7 go on failing every year it will be a fatal blow to the cause of education.

One expected that the University would immediately institute a public inquiry to go into the whole matter. But till now the University has not done so despite the fact that an enquiry has been demanded by the Press, prominent educationists, teachers, students as well as public.

Secondly, it is obviously unjust to fail so many students because they do not come up to the standard which the University expects when no steps have been taken to improve instruction in schools. In view of this a widespread demand has been made by the public, students and the Press for a supplementary examination this year and for immediate passing those students who failed by a few marks in one or two subjects.

We learn that a meeting of the Senate is being held on 22nd August where the Matriculation question will come up for discussion.

We appeal to the public, Press, different organisations of the people, teachers, educationists, political leaders, to take up the matter and raise their voice. We hope that the Corporation too will take up the matter. Let every school and college pass resolutions and send them to the Vice-Chancellor. The Bombay Students' Union will do its utmost to intensify the agitation. We propose to hold a public meeting of students and citizens on the 21st and a peaceful demonstration on the day of the Senate meeting. We earnestly appeal all the student organisations to join hands with us.

"CONVERSION CAN'T DISSOLVE MARRIAGE"

CALCUTTA August 12, (A. P. I.): Mr. Justice Lodges of the Calcutta High Court has dismissed a suit in which a woman, originally a Jew and now a convert to Islam had asked for a declaration that her marriage to the defendant, a Jew, who had declined to embrace Islam had been dissolved and that she had regained the status of an unmarried woman.

Delivering Judgment His Lordship said: "I can find authority for the view that a marriage solemnised according to one personal law can be dissolved according to another personal law simply because one of the two parties has changed his or her religion."

Appeal To Attlee To Commute Death Sentence On Ashti And Chimur Prisoners

"The day is not far off when it will be said of our Nation that it produced no longer Martyrs, but Victors of Freedom. But we must learn our lessons well. We failed at the time of the Cripps Mission and at Simla because we did not unite. What we lost in Simla is to-day gained for us by others, the British Working Class. Soviet's declaration of war on Japan is a reminder to the Indians that in an Asiatic peace settlement the Indian freedom is guaranteed. Will you at least put your house in order, unite the people so that India can be represented at the Peace Conference to champion the claims of the Asiatic Nations?" Thus concluded Com. B. T. Ranadive, a leading member of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of India, at the Marwari Vidyalaya Hall meeting held under the uspices of the Bombay Committee of the Communist Party of India to celebrate 9th August. Dr. Adhikari, the Editor of "People's Wall" presided.

The President in his introductory remarks said: "Let us not forget that when we pay homage we have a debt to pay." At the end of his speech he moved a resolution expressing "grief to learn the news of the execution of Mahendra Chowdhary despite Gandhiji's Appeal" and "appealing to the Labour Prime Minister, Mr. Attlee to commute death santences of Ashti and Chimur Parisoners, as requested by the whole country." Finally it felt "that commuting death sentences on August Prisoners will help establishment of friendly relations between India and Britain." The resolution was passed the whole audience standing in honour of August Martyrs.

Czech Government Confiscates German Own Lands

PRAGUE August 12 (U.P.A.): The Government is prepared to make individual land grants of from 20 to 32 acres to farm labourers from tracts of lands which have been seized from Germans, Hungarians, traitors and enemies, the Prague radio said today.

The amount of land which has been confiscated was not revealed.

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To-day

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Muslim: Ramjan 5, 1364
Parsi: Aspandarmad 15, 1314
Sunrise: 7-19 a.m. Sunset: 8-7 p.m.
Hightide: 4-28, 16-22. Lowtide: 9-57, 22-43.
Municipal Improvements Committee, 2 p.m. (B.T.).
Corporation meeting to-day at 2 p.m. (B.T.).

Domestic Occurrence

POSTPONEMENT OF MARRIAGE
Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Jahagirdar beg to announce that the marriage of their daughter Shri. Pramila, fixed on 15th August, 1945, has been postponed, due to some unavoidable difficulties, to 17th August, 1945. The reception will be held on the same day (i.e. 17th) between 6 p.m. and 8 p.m. at Brahmin Sabha, near Prarthana Samaj.

To-day's Engagements

NOTICE TO JURYMEN
Special Jurors' attention is drawn to the notice appearing in the Public Notifications Column.

TANKAR MANDAL: Sjt. Shantilal Shah, M.L.A., on his jail experiences at 9 p.m. at Laxminagar Hall, 10th Road, Khar.

ISMAIL YUSUF COLLEGE: Under the auspices of the Majma, Mr. Tarqal-Yafi will address a meeting on "Syria's Fight for Freedom." at 2 p.m.

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF POLITICS, ECONOMICS AND SOCIOLOGY reports that the first meeting of the Study Circles in Politics and Sociology at 6 p.m. at Arya Bhuvan, Sandhurst Road, (near Marwadi Vidyalaya) Bombay 4. Prof. Pratapgiri Ramamurti and Dr. M. Vasudeva Moorthy, who have kindly consented to conduct the Study Circles, will be addressing the meeting on: (a) Indian Village as Basis of National Organization; (b) Political Parties in India.

INDIAN INSTITUTE OF BANKERS: Eighteenth ordinary general meeting at the headquarters of the Institute, to-day at 6-15 p.m.

SOCIAL SERVICE LEAGUE: Voluntary Social Workers' Training Class at 6-30 p.m. at the League's Head Office, Servants of India Society's Home, Sandhurst Road, Girgaon, when Mr. N. P. Shaikh will deliver a lecture on "Mass Literacy."

GATHA SOCIETY: Dastur Framroze A. Bode, will expound Gatha Ahunavaiti. Chap. 4 (Yasna Ha. 31), strophes 13 to 15 at the Society's meeting at 6 p.m. (S.T.), at the Cama Institute, 136 Apollo Street, Fort.

G.I.P. RAILWAYMEN'S UNION, PAREL BRANCH: Annual general meeting at 5-30 p.m. at Damodar Thackersey Hall, Parel.

ROTARY CLUB: Weekly luncheon meeting at 1-30 p.m. Green's Hotel. Rotarian A. S. Trollip, will speak on "Greater Bombay Communications."

BOMBAY HIGH SCHOOLS' ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION: Annual general meeting at the Robert Money School at 6-15 p.m.

MAHADEVBHAI DIN: Under the auspices of the Ghatkopar Taluka Congress Committee to-morrow (Wednesday) will be celebrated as "Mahadevbhai Din" and volunteers of Rastra Seva Dal will collect fund, which will go to Mahadevbhai Smarak Samiti.

URDU SCRIPT CLASS: The Secretary Hindi Prachar Sabha, writes:—From Tuesday, August 21, a Hindustani class for teaching Urdu script will be started for the beginners at the Indian E. S. High School, 2nd Floor, Vasant Nivas, opposite Dadar B. B. Railway Station, between 6-30 and 7-30 p.m.

Govt. Controls To Be Relaxed

More Liberal Distribution Of Raw Films Likely

The question of relaxing the various controls in the country is understood to be engaging the attention of the Central Government.

As a first step, the control of distribution of raw films will be withdrawn shortly in India, it is understood.

It is likely that, upon the improvement of the supply position, the question of relaxing other war-time controls will be taken up for consideration.

Two representatives of the Government of India are now in Bombay to study the supply and control situation. They are Sir Azizul Huq, Member for Industries and Civil Supplies and Sir J. P. Srivastava, Food Member.

At the third meeting of the Central Consumers' Council, on Monday, various war-time controls now in operation in the country were reviewed. Sir Azizul Huq presided. Deliberations ranged over different subjects like cotton textiles, newsprints, brass and brassware, kerosene and fair-price shops.

Among those who attended the meeting were Messrs. K. Srinivasan (Editor of the "Hindu"), S. A. Brelvi, N. M Joshi, Hussein Imam, M. N. Dalal, M. K. Vellodi, H. M. Patel, C. C. Desai, R. H. Parker, Yusuf Abdulla Haroon and Mr. Abdul Rehman Siddique.

Sir J. P. Srivastava who arrived by the Peshawar Express from Bhopal, on Monday, will meet a number of Government officials and commercial organisations to discuss the general food situation in the Province. He will stay in Bombay till August 18.

Challenge To Jinnah

Rowjee Says Ismaili Khojas Have Boycotted League Meetings At Kaser Baug

BOMBAY, Thursday.

Mr. Mahomedbhoy I. M. Rowjee has issued the following statement to the press:—

"I was amused to read the newspaper report of the speech of Mr. M. A. Jinnah and that of Mr. I. I. Chundrigar at the Kaser Baug meeting yesterday in which 'inter alia' Mr. Jinnah incorrectly stated that many Khojas were found in the meeting. As far as I know Kaser Baug is boycotted by Ismaili Khojas and it is not possible to find many of them there. I challenge Mr. Jinnah to prove from the lists of the Muslim League how many Ismaili Khojas have joined the League. Mr. Jinnah is not entitled to represent Shias including Khojas who have not joined the League in bulk.

After all the Muslim League is a Sunni body and Shias are fully justified in not supporting it unless the injustice done to Shias by Sunnis is rectified by the League. No misleading speeches of Mr. Jinnah and his Leaguers will detract the Shias from their goal to have separate representation for themselves as against the League and lose their separate entity."

MAHADEOBHAI DESAI ANNIVERSARY

The Girgaum District Congress Committee will have a flag salutation to-morrow (Wednesday) at 9 a.m. (N. S.T.) at Sicca Nagar, Vithalbhai Patel Road on account of 3rd anniversary of late Shri Mahadeobhai Desai. Smt. Violet Alva will hoist the flag.

There will be a public meeting at Jinnah Hall at 7 p.m. (N.S.T.) Prof. D. R. Gharpure will preside and Smt. Suchita Kripalani, Dr. N. S. Hardikar, Sjt. Y. K. Khadilkar and others will speak.

"Merger" States' Chief To Confer

(From Our Correspondent)

RAJKOT, August 13.

It is understood that the Nawab of Bhopal after interviewing the Crown Represenative will go to Bombay where a meeting of the Kathiawar Third and Fourth Class States Chiefs will be held on 17th and 18th. Some Chiefs of Kathiawar who have still not accepted attachment are expected to attend the Bombay meeting.

Reforms In Cutch

Mr. Narbheram N. Popat, Secretary, Cutch-Bhuj Praja Parishad has sent the following telegram to His Highness the Maharao of Cutch:—

Regarding Your Highness' intention of calling a Round Table Conference of the leaders of Cutch as reported in press. Your Highness is desirous of giving constitutional reforms and self-Government to the people. The Cutch Parishad will sincerely co-operate with Your Highness and shall participate in the said Conference as Parishad is the only representative body of the people. Any arrangement arrived at in the absence of official representatives of Parishad will not be accepted by Cutchees as the Parishad is the only true representative of Cutchees in Cutch and outside.

TODAY ON RADIO

TUESDAY, AUGUST 14.

BOMBAY—1.

244 m. (1,231 Kc/s)—8-0 a.m. News (E), 8.15 News (H), 8-30 Latafat Husain, 8.45 Sitar, 9.50 News (M), 9.0 News (G), 9-10 To-morrow, 9.15 Mohammad Rafi, 9.30 Orchestral Music, 9-45 Sundarabai Jadhav, 12-30 p.m. Bhavgeet, 12.45 News (M), 12.50 News (G), 12-55 News (H), 1-0 Selections, 1.30 News (E), 1.40 Music, 2.30 Break for Lunch, 4-20 School Broadcast, 5-0 Champaklal Veragiwala, 5.15 Jaltarang Solo, 5.25 Sundarabai Jadhav, 5.45 Topical Talk, 5-55 Locals, 6.0 For Forces, 6-30 News (E), 6.40 News (H), 6.45 Champaklal Veragiwala, 7.0 Apalyapudhil Prasha (M) 7-15 Wali Mohammad, 7.30 Violin, 7-45 Latafat Husain, 8.15 News (M), 8.30 News (G), 8.45 Mohammad Rafi, 9-0 News (H), 9.20 News (E), 9-30 B. B. C. News, 9.40 Kaji on Kattatarang, 9-45 Have you Read? 10.0 Studio Concert.

CORPORATION ADJOURNED

City Fathers Mourn Deaths Of Parelkar, Arundale And Sircar

Resolutions condoling the death of Mr. B. G. Parelkar, a member of the Bombay Municipal Corporation for 24 years, Dr. G. S. Arundale, President of the Theosophical Society and Sir N. N. Sircar, former Law Member of the Government of India, were passed, all standing, at a meeting of the Corporation on Monday. Dr. Alban D Souza, the Mayor, was in the chair.

The Corporation adjourned without transacting any business as a mark of respect for the departed

Mr. S. K. Patil moved the resolution condoling the death of Mr. Parelkar; Mr. Jamnadas Dwarkadas the one touching that of Dr. Arundale and Mr. N. C. Bharucha, the one relating to that of Sir N. N. Sircar.

The Mayor paying a tribute to the services of the late Mr. Parelkar said that he was one of the oldest members of the House. His deep civic sense was evidenced by his daily visits to the K. E. M. hospital and other Municipal dispensaries. He was also at different times a member of the various Statutory Committees of the Corporation.

As far as Dr. Arundale was concerned, the Mayor said that he was one of the few English nationals who adopted India as his Motherland.

BOMBAY GETS 5 INCHES OF RAIN

BOBMAY, Monday.

Due to depression in the South-Western region strong monsoon conditions prevail all over the coast as a result of which the city has been having heavy rains over the wee-end and again today. Within 24 hours, Bombay's total rainiall for the day on Sunday was 5 inches 33 cents. This sort of weather is expected to continue till to-morrow noon when the rains may gradually abate.

The total rainfall since June 1st is 66.02 "i.e. 16.92" above normal.

The maximum temperature yesterday was 80.8 deg. i.e. 4.1 deg. below normal, which made weather cool and pleasant last night and those fortunate enough to possess rugs, brought them out.

The minimum temperature was 73.6 deg. i.e. 2.3 deg. below normal.

The rainfall in the north of the city was 5.75" recorded at the J. J. Hospital, for the 24 hours ending 9 a.m. to-day and 6.35" at Matunga.

THANA CITIZENS' ULTIMATUM TO GOVERNMENT

Mr. Kher's Plea For Wardha Education

(From Our Correspondent)

THANA, August 13: "In any plan of reconstruction of the nation, proper attention will have to be paid to the problem of education. In a vast country like this, educational reconstruction, will be possible, if education can be made self-sufficient. Mahatmaji's scheme of Wardha education, should therefore, be given proper trial; otherwise as suggested by the report of the Sargent Committee, we will have to wait for 40 years, even after spending a huge sum of 300 crores. But no system of national education will succeed, unless and until, the teachers in the country are given proper status in the society. To do this they must be decently paid. I sympathise fully with the demands of the teachers in general, and those of the Primary Teachers in particular. Government must run to the help of the local bodies and shoulder all responsibility of paying adequate dearness allowance to the employees of these bodies, since none else but the Government themselves are responsible for the present abnormal times." This was the gist of the remarks offered by Mr. B. G. Kher, ex-Premier of Bombay, while presiding over a meeting of the residents of Thana District.

The said meeting was convened by Mr. V. V. Dandekar, M.L.A., President District Local Board, Thana, to raise funds from the general public to enable the Thana District School-Board to pay dearness allowance at increased rate, to nearly 1200 primary teachers working under the said school-board. The meeting was very largely attended by prominent citizens of the district and nearly Rs. 4,500 were collected on the spot. The board requires nearly Rs. 35,000 from the general public of the district. The meeting therefore appointed a non-party committee, to make collections throughout the district.

By another resolution, the meeting made clear that as the board was not responsible for the present abnormal cost of living, the government should bear the entire expenditure on account of dearness allowance, from 1st April 46; failing which the School-Board and the District-Local Board should handover all the primary schools in the district to the Government from 1-4-46.

Food Members In City

BOMBAY, Monday: Sir Jwalaprasad Srivastava, Food Member, Government of India, arrived here from Bhopal this morning. He will stay in the city till August 18 when he will leave for Hyderabad (Dn.).

AGRA CONGRESSMAN DEAD

Mr. Har Nath Goyel of the Agra Congress Working Committee died on 9th August 1945. He was suffering from T.B. last 1 1/2 years. In 1942 he was arrested and sentenced but due to that suffering he was relieved.

INDIAN SALOON WORKERS' FORM UNION

BOMBAY, Monday (API): A new trade union to be known as the Indian Saloon Workers' Union was formed at a meeting of the Indian Seamen held under the auspices of the Seamen's Section of the Goan Association, Bombay, yesterday. The meeting approved of the draft constitution of the new union and appointed Dr. J. A. Collaco as President and Mr. V. S. De Pompeia Viegas as General Secretary.

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ALL-INDIA WEATHER

POONA, Aug. 13.

Following is the weather chart showing the maximum and minimum temperatures and rainfall in inches during the past twenty-four hours, from 1st January 1945 and departure from normal recorded at 9 hours IST on 13th August 1945.

Allahabad 93 77 1.5 13.8 minus 11.0 Bangalore 79 65 0 13.5 minus 1.2 Baroda 91 76 0.1 20.7 Belgaum 75 69 1.2 31.7 minus 3.5 BOMBAY 81 74 5.3 67.1 plus 16.5 Cuttack 89 79 0 26.5 minus 10.0 Darjeeling 65 58 0.8 56.3 minus 30.2 Dehra Dun 62 72 0.5 43.9 minus 13.9 New Delhi 97 76 0.7 9.1 minus 8.0 Hyderabad (Dn) 81 71 0.8 18.2 plus 2.2 Karachi 86 80 0 6.3 plus 0.1 Lahore 100 82 0 16.5 plus 3.3 Lucknow 92 78 0.2 13.7 minus 11.1 Madras 92 0 10.3 minus 0.7 Mahableshwar 66 60 5.0 168.0 minus 23.1 Multan 102 85 0 4.3 minus 1.0 Mussoorie 68 59 1.3 48.2 minus 12.1 Mysore 79 65 0 18.2 plus 3.5 Nagpur 86 75 0.7 40 0 plus 8.9 Ootacamund 61 51 0 19.8 minus 10.7 Patna 92 80 T 18.4 minus 8.9 Peshawar 91 75 0 8.4 minus 2.3 Poona 77 70 1.2 15.6 plus 0.8 Quetta 97 66 0 7 2 minus 0.8 Sholapur 82 72 0.2 11.1 minus 0.9 Simla 70 60 0.1 39.5 minus 3.9

Heavy Rainfall Warning

POONA, Aug. 13 (A.P.I.)

Locally moderate to heavy rain will occur in the Central Provinces, Chota Nagpur, Central India, East Gujarat, South Kathiawar, the North Konkan, the North Bombay Deccan and North Hyderabad during the next 48 hours.

A THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Upon the banner of every religion would soon be written in spite of all resistance "help and not fight", "assimilation and not destruction", "harmony and peace and not dissension".

—Swami Vivekananda.

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A CHALLENGE TO VICTORS

A waiting world, sure on Saturday last that the capitulation of Japan was a matter of hours, has been temporarily disappointed. Late on Sunday Reuters reported from Washington: "An unexpected though not serious development is holding up the completion of the Japanese surrender, it became apparent at the White House late to-day." What happened? The Soviet Press which obviously reflects the well-informed views of the Kremlin, has been denouncing Japanese militarists accusing them of trying to carry on a hopeless, disastrous war knowing that they can gain nothing from it. That suggested an internal conflict among Japanese leaders. But, on the other hand, the Tokio Press has been clearly preparing the people of Japan for the worst, calling upon them to obey whatever command emanates from the Emperor.

It may, therefore, be that a militarist clique is in a state of some sort of actual or potential revolt against the Emperor himself. It is possible but hardly probable. A much more likely possibility is that the Japanese are trying to haggle over the overriding conditions the Allies have imposed upon the sovereign prerogatives of the Emperor. It is, however, difficult to see how the Allies can modify those conditions without fundamentally prejudicing the effectiveness of their control over Japan. And it is equally difficult to see how the Japanese can reject the Allied demand with the continuation of the war or rather a one-sided massacre of their own people as the only alternative. Another likely interpretation of the delay may, therefore, be that the Japs are preparing to spare the Emperor humiliation and save face through the device of abdication, a Regent and not the divine personality itself serving the orders of the conquerors. Whatever the hitch may be due to, the end is inevitable. The cease fire order is certain within a few days. And, then, will have ended the greatest, the most brutal and the most horribly disastrous War in the history of mankind. As civilisation and science have progressed war has become increasingly extensive, all embracing and destructive of life and property. One cannot look back on the last six or seven years without a profoundly shocked feeling of the cataclysmic horror of it all, and that, too, inflicted upon mankind by man himself. This is the most important and tragic truth that emerges out of this War. "Civilisation" had all but destroyed itself and the world. One experienced an intense sense of deliverance.

But it is immediately succeeded by the question: Has mankind or rather its Big Leaders learnt the lesson of the last war and the awful but certain consequences of the next? This war will have been tought in vain and, worse still, it will have sown the seeds of permanent discontent and disasters if the victors have failed to realise two things: Another war will destroy humanity and, second, there can be no peace if in this One World there are made to exist two worlds, the world of the free, and the world of the unfree. More than the victory over the Axis, the victory over Japan is a challenge to the victors.

Currency And Finance In 1944-45

We have commented already on more salient features of the working of our national economy, as revealed in the speech of Sir Chintaman Deshmukh, Governor of the Reserve Bank of India, at the annual meeting in Delhi and so would not review in detail the many interesting points dealt with in the Report on Currency and Finance during 1944-45 which has just been published. We shall however content ourselves simply with drawing the attention to several figures and comparisons in the report, which throw glaring light on the relative position between this country, the United States, Britain and other Dominions in regard to currency and finance. For instance, of the total U S Lease-Lend aid of 39 billion dollars since March 1941 to the end of March 1945, Britain received 12,775 million dollars, or 33 per cent; Russia, 8,410 million dollars, or 22 per cent; and India and China combined 2,023 million dollars or 5 per cent. What was the exact share of India in this is not stated. But assuming it is half,—it must be much less,—read it along with the figures relating to the total burden of this war borne by India, whether in the form of her own additional military expenditure during the six war years, or in the form of supplies made to Britain of goods and services, for which the British Government have issued payable—when—able I. O. U's which will constitute a most thorny problem of post-war economics. The Government of India's total outlay on this account, charged to the Indian Exchequer, is given at Rs. 1925.8 crores, including both capital and revenue charges and, including the budget estimates for the current year,—which may be exceeded. In the last pre-war year, 1938-39, India's defence budget totalled Rs. 46.18 crores. At that rate, in six years the outlay on that account would have been Rs. 277 crores. This means that Government has spent 1648.0 crores more on that account, and charged it to the Indian tax-payer, without the latter having any "say-so" (to use an Americanism) in the declaration of the war, or being likely to participate, in any form or shape, in the advantages or benefits,—such as they may be,—in consequence of this war.

But this is not all. There is, in addition, the so-called "recoverable war expenditure", which amounts to 1882.68 crores in the war period, including the budget estimates, for 1945-46. The total of both amounts to Rs. 3,440, crores, equivalent, in round terms, to some 11,000 million dollars not much less than the Lease-Lend aid received by Britain from the United States. And yet what credit, or thanks, does India receive in return? Her Sterling assets are frozen, and her share of the Dollar pool unavailable. Even if we deduct some 430 crores of repatriated sterling debt of the Government of India, the aggregate would be 3,000 crores, or nearly 10,000 million dollars. For a country so poor as India, and in contrast with a country so rich as the United States of America, this mere set of figures must be eloquent beyond words. It must be remembered, in addition, that the U. S. A. devised the lease-lend system only when all the gold assets of Britain for purchases in America were exhausted. The contribution from India was neither free nor reasonable. America, again, is entitled to call back such of the lease-lend supplies as have not already been used up in the war. These she may realise or dispose of as it suits her own national economy. Whether India will realise any part even of her "recoverable war expenditure" is a doubtful proposition at the moment. Finally, Britain has made reverse lend lease payments to America, aggregating, by March 31 last, to over 5 billion dollars. It is not clear how much reverse payments have gone from India, and what exact amount has been received in aid by this country. Incidentally, it is a most intriguing mystery of policy of the Government in India that all these payments and counter-payments have been made without a separate treaty between the U. S. A. and the Government of India. Why?

Currency inflation has been out of all proportion or necessity. Compared to the United States, the note circulation in India has risen to 613, if we take July 1939 as equal 100.; while in the U. S. A. the corresponding increase is 491, and in Britain 240.! Prices have increased in this country to 301, with the same base, while in the U. S. A. they have risen to 209, and in Britain to 170.! Measures of control were too late, too halting, too spasmodic to be effective. And this without any reference to black market racketing, which is, as every one knows, flourishing to the nth degree under the most efficient heaven-born bureaucracy that ever was the lot of man to live under! The revenues raised by the Government of India have increased from Rs. 84.52 crores in 1938-39 to 362.34 crores (budget estimates of 1945-46) or 350 per cent. The total expenditure, on the other hand, increased in the same period, from Rs. 85.15 crores to Rs. 535.39 crores or 630 per cent. This is not the total expenditure of the Government of India; for it does not include the so-called recoverable expenditure. The total Government outlay during the period is shown to be 4,167 crores, including the budget estimates of the current year. The deficit on revenue account alone amounted between 1938-39 and 1945-46 to Rs. 2,117.18 crores. This immense increase in public expenditure was not, it need hardly be added, for any productive enterprise, service, or utility, for which the present Government of India has rarely been able to find adequate funds when first approached. In the Provinces, the tale is a little different, the aggregate expenditure there having risen from Rs. 85.76 crores for all provinces in 1938-39 to Rs. 767.96 in 1945-46. But the bulk of this increased provincial expenditure is also not of a truly productive character, for social services or public utilities, for which there is neither plan nor purpose. Provincial Governments are reported to be making plans; but these seem to be all designed more to provide easy and preferential employment for the demobilised soldier than to spur on productive reorganisation of the Province anywhere. And that, too, apart from the sad spectacle of starvation in huge blocks of territories and masses of humanity, as in Bengal. No wonder the aggregate debt of the Government of India has risen from Rs. 1,205.76 crores in 1938-9 to Rs. 2,180.57 budgeted for at the end of 1945-46, notwithstanding the repatriation of nearly 430 crores of the sterling debt and the reduction in the treasury bills or floating debt outstanding.

Frankly Speaking

A Baseless Charge

To Mr. Jinnah, more perhaps than to any other person, goes the credit of realising betimes the supreme importance of the next election and collecting funds for them straightway. Indeed, he has already started his election propaganda, not merely with the aid of "silver bullets". As usual, he relies at least as much on misrepresenting his opponents. And when he turns to the Congress he is never deterred by any excessive regard for facts or fairplay. His remark that the Congress utilises its funds, collected avowedly for the constructive programme, "to destroy the Muslims" "to corrupt, mislead and bamboozle the Muslims" is not the worst specimen of his terminological inexactitudes.

An Election Issue

When Mr. Jinnah says that the Muslims are determined not to submit to any scheme of an all-India Union, interim or otherwise, he perhaps suggests that the League will not join any interim Government at the Centre and prefers the Cripps plan of proceeding straight to a permanent settlement. It is true that as the war has almost ended a popular interim Government at the Centre may not appear to some to be an urgent need. But as it may be some years before a permanent constitution comes into force, a popular Central Government is desirable, and it will have to be as representative as possible. However, that will not prevent all parties, from supporting the Cripps' plan of early elections and the convening of a Constituent Assembly in accordance with his offer of 1942. According to that offer every province is free to join or not to join the Indian Union. The Congress has practically accepted this provision by ruling out coercion in any case. It is, therefore, a false charge that Mr. Jinnah brings against the Congress that "what the Congress wants is to force the Muslim majority provinces into an all-India Union." The Congress concedes their freedom to stand out and that will be one of the election issues of the Congress.

Jamkhandi's Notoriety

The Jamkhandi Durbar has earned the unenviable notoriety by rejecting the recommendation of the State Assembly to introduce in the State the provisions of the Sarda Act prohibiting child marriages. The excuse given for the rejection is that such provisions will wound the religious susceptibilities of the State subjects. The excuse is frivolous as the State Assembly itself recommended the reform. It appears a small minority of the orthodox people stands in the way. But the reformers should not take the defeat lying down. They should carry on vigorous propaganda through the press and the platform. They may also boycott child marriages and otherwise demonstrate their objection to such tragedies. With public opinion on their side throughout the country they are sure to succeed before long. Incidentally, the Durbar's refusal to accept the recommendation of the State's Assembly shows how important the legislatures are in most States.

A New Approach In S. Africa?

General Smuts is reported to have announced some days ago a new approach to the Indian problem in South Africa. But nothing definite has yet been stated about his intentions. At a reception given to H. H. the Aga Khan at Durban last week the South African Premier seemed to belittle the difficulties of the Indian problem. He pointed out how easily he made up his differences with Gandhiji before and declared that even now "South Africa would solve her difficulties long before the world had solved its similar difficulties". He evidently referred to racial difficulties. Equal citizenship rights to all, irrespective of class, creed or colour are the only means of permanently solving the difficulties. And it will be a great thing, indeed, if South Africa set the example to the world. H. H. the Aga Khan, too, was hopeful about the Indian problem. Referring to wider issues, he said: "If India and China are not on their feet soon, somebody will try to put them on their feet." Howsoever India comes into her own, there is no doubt that free India will in no time solve the Indian problem in South Africa.

POINTED PARAGRAPHS

Criticize yourself to-day and others to-morrow.

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If a man feels it in his bones it is apt to be rheumatism.

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If you would keep your friends don't put them to a severe test.

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The talkative seamstress occasionally loses the thread of her discourse.

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There is no man so friendless as the one who has lost his political pull.

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Mere trifles are responsible for more happiness and more misery then great happenings.

"Education Drive In City"

I read in your issue of the 2nd instant that that the Chairman of the schools Committee has appealed to the Press for co-operation in their education drive in the city. In the light of recent events both in Lower Colaba and Dobbi Talao I feel sceptical about the efforts of this Committee bearing any substantial fruit. It's all very nice to ask for co-operation and seek convenient press publicity for their grandiloquent schemes; but when it comes to brass tacks, we find that the School's Committee falls far short of what it professes to be.

I shall here confine myself to an incident actually being enacted in Lower Colaba a few days ago. The November 1944 the Municipal Marathi school there accommodated 800 students in 14 rooms. At the end of November 4 of these rooms were given over by the Schools Committee to the landlord for reasons best known to themselves and in spite of the protests of the school teachers and the local residents. Again, one room being utilised for the Office, there are thus only 9 rooms left at the disposal of 1,200 students, to which number the attendance has increased to this day. Another 200 boys are on the waiting-list for want of accommodation. Further boys between the ages of five to nine are asked to attend the early morning classes which thirty per cent of them do not do for obvious reasons. There is also a common complaint that the number of teachers is quite inadequate for the large number of students attending the school. Attention the Committee has been drawn time and again to this glaring state of affairs, all to no avail. And repeated reminders to the Secretary and the Chairman in the course of these last nine months have only fallen on deaf ears.

Before launching upon a new and spectacular programme, the Municipal Schools Committee would do well to execute efficiently the task already undertaken and improve the sadly neglected state of affairs of many an existing municipal school in the city instead of indulging in literary pyrotechnics on the platform and in the press.

J. M. F.

Rights Of Indians In Liberated Burma

DEMAND FOR TRADE AND PASSAGE FACILITIES FOR INDIAN EVACUEES

BOMBAY, August 13. (U.P.I.): An eight-point memorandum in connection with the question of rehabilitation of the Indian rice merchants in Burma was submitted to Sir Azizul Haque, Commerce Member to the Government of India, by Mr. Mohamed Hasham Premji, Honorary Secretary of the Conference of Rice Merchants' Associations of India, Burma and Ceylon when the Committee of the Conference waited in a deputation on the Commerce Member to-day.

The memorandum demanded that facilities should be secured for the return of Indians interested in the rice milling industry, and for the Indian rice millers to re-establish themselves in the rice milling trade. Same facilities should be given to the Indians as might have been given to the Britishers to re-establish themselves in such trades during the military occupation. All evacuees and all other staff of Indian Houses should also be given facilities to return to Burma at the earlier date possible after the Civil Government began to function.

It was further urged that steps might be taken to see that the Indian merchants who had built up the rice trade and the rice export trade in Burma might maintain their position in the trade from the very start as they had maintained in the past. In this connection, it was suggested that a committee might be constituted on the lines on which committees were constituted by the Custodian of Property which might immediately proposed to Burma for the inspection of the damage done to the agricultural land and for going into such questions as were necessary for the settlement of Indians immediately on their landings into Burma and a report of their enquiry should be made to the Custodian of Property as well as to the Government of India at the earliest date possible. "This is essential", it is stated, "not only for the agricultural economy in Burma but also for safeguarding the interests of Indian landowners of Burma in Burma."

Steps should also be taken to secure representation of Indians on the Advisory Council which had been constituted by Major-General H. F. Rance and to see that the export trade from India to Burma was retained in the hands of the normal channels of trade and that the Government of Burma was not allowed to set up a Purchasing Agency on their account. If such an agency was set up, it is stated, it would be prejudicial to the interests of India and Indian merchants.

In the course of speech on the occasion Mr. Premji narrated the Indians owned over 150 rice mills in Burma and their stake in the rice milling industry was nearly two millions tons of rice, and the serious situation with which they were confronted there. He expressed his anxiety to see that no such arrangements were made by the military as might have the effect, in due course, of driving the Indians from the rice milling trade.

"We are anxious as the Britishers", Mr. Premji added, "to do our bit for the economic rehabilitation of Burma. Our position in the rice milling trade should in no way be prejudiced and other vested interests should not be allowed to grow up during the period of military administration which may have the effect of driving us out of the field later."

Concluding, Mr. Premji expressed deep anxiety of the Indian merchants to go to Burma at the earliest opportunity, re-establish themselves in their business and do their bit for promoting the rehabilitation of that land. "It is quite fair and just to demand that we should be given at least the same facilities which may have been given to the Britishers. Neither should the Britishers nor should others have a flying start over us. That would seriously prejudice our interests and might even lead to our elimination."

Atomic Energy Can Be Yoked Within Decade

U. S. War Department Dispels Doubts Of Possible Danger

WASHINGTON, August 12 (Reuter): Atomic power for peace purposes can probably be developed within ten years. That is one of the main conclusions of the comprehensive report on five years' scientific research which resulted in the development of the Atomic bomb.

The report, which is issued by the United States War Department to-night, was completed before this bomb was finally tested in New Mexico last month and then first dropped on a Japanese town a few days ago.

Looking to the future, the report says: 'One may guess that technical developments will take place along two lines. From the military point of view, it is reasonably certain that there will be improvements both in the processes of producing fissionable material and in its use. It is conceivable that totally different methods may be discovered for converting matter into energy, since it is to be remembered that the energy released in Uranium fission corresponds to the utilisation of only about one-tenth of one per cent of its mass. Could a scheme be devised for converting to energy even as much as a few per cent of the matter of some common material, civilisation would have the means to commit suicide at will.

"The possible uses of nuclear energy are not all destructive and the second direction in which technical development can be expected is along the paths of peace.

Nuclear research by 1939 had led scientists to believe that it should be possible to find a way of releasing atomic energy on a significant scale and under controlled conditions. In 1944 a Committee was appointed to look into these possibilities.

While there was general agreement that a great industry might eventually arise comparable perhaps with the electronic industry, the consensus was that the growth of such an industry would be slow over a period of many years.

At least there is immediate prospect of running cars with nuclear power or lighting houses with radioactive lamps, although there is a good probability that nuclear power for special purposes could be developed within ten years, and that plentiful supplies of radioactive materials can have a profound effect on scientific research and perhaps on the treatment of certain diseases.

The War Department clears up the speculation on the possible danger of lingering radioactive effects after an Atomic Bomb explosion. It says: "The bomb is detonated in combat at such a height above the ground as to give the maximum blast effect against structures and to disseminate radioactive products as cloud. On account of the heat of the explosion practically all radioactive products are carried upward in the ascending column of hot air and dispersed harmlessly over a wide area."

ATOM BOMB IS NAKED TERROR

CALCUTTA, August 12 (A. P. I.): Writing under the caption "Naked Terror", the "Statesman" asked today, can the wielders of the Atom bomb "be the same Allies who denounced German and Japanese terror in proper, righteous indignation, who fight to free the world from fear, who have assured the Japanese people that there is no wish to destroy or enslave?"

Men without pity or imagination may hear and read unmoved of the appalling effects of the Atom bomb raids, says the paper. The new weapon is not indiscriminate in the sense that the V weapons were, or seemed to be in the absence of proof of accurate aiming. The Atom bomb is aimed—but at a whole city.

Had they the means, the Japanese might have dropped Atom bombs on Allied countries. Even now while offering surrender, they boast pathetically of intentions to retaliate in kind. But since when has it been right for the champion of justice to take an imaginaary page from the memoranda of the evil doer?

Mercy, chastisement, retribution, these are god-like attributes, and it is with grave danger to themselves that men sort them into fresh patterns of their own devising.

If an object lesson was required, continues the "Staesman", could not the Japanese Government have been warned that some thinly-populated place would be chosen for the first demonstration of the dire results of the new weapon? Afterwards a definite time could have been given for the effects to sink in before a fresh demonstration.

Anglo-American Instrument To Curb Russia

LONDON, August 13 (UPI): "Will the exclusive knowledge of the secrets of the atomic bomb production be employed as a lever to make the Soviet Union accept the Anglo-American viewpoint on certain controversial European and near-Eastern issues?

This possibility is ominously hinted by the "Sunday Observer's" diplomatic correspondent. Pointing out that the implication of President Truman's broadcast speech was, firstly, that it bound Britain and America together as one State and, secondly, it shifted the balance of power among the Big Three in favour of the Anglo-Americans, the correspondent writes: "All agreements already made, even if hurtful to the American and British ideas, remain unquestioned. It is only in the bargaining about the

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MONGOLIA'S "FATE" ON CHESS-BOARD

WASHINGTON, August 13. (U.P. A.): While waiting for Japanese surrender news in the White House press room, a Russian correspondent and a Chinese correspondent played checkers (draughts).

An onlooker asked, "What are you two playing for—Inner Mongolia?"

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still-disputed questions that the shift in the balance of power will almost at once be reflected. America intends to press for joint control by herself, Britain, France, Turkey and Russia of the Straits of Dardanelles; the nations of south-eastern Europe are not to be the spheres of influence of any one nation.'

Instrument Of World Peace

LONDON, August 12 (APA): Prime Minister Clement Attlee to-day pledged the full co-operation of the British Government to President Truman's proposal to guard the secret of the atomic bomb until complete control of the devastating weapon is assured.

Calling attention to Japan's offer to surrender, Attlee said that the events of the past week had reinforced his earlier declaration that the world needs to pray that the atomic bomb will "become a perennial fountain of world prosperity."

"Since I issued a statement on the day of the release of the first atomic bomb a week ago, the vast and terrible effects of this new invention have made themselves felt", the Prime Minister said in a brief statement.

"The last of our enemies has offered to surrender. The events of these tremendous days reinforce the words in that statement to the effect that we must pray that the discovery which led to the production of the atomic bomb will be made to conduce to peace among the nations and that, instead of wreaking measureless havoc upon the entire globe, may become a perennial fountain of world prosperity.

"President Truman in his broadcast of August 9 has spoken of the preparation of plans for the future control of this bomb and of a request to Congress to co-operate to the end that its production and use may be controlled and that its power may be made an overwhelming influence towards world peace.

"It is the intention of His Majesty's Government to put all their efforts into the promotion of the objects thus foreshadowed and they will lend their full co-operation to that end."

Indians Shocked

(From Our Correspondent.)

LONDON, August 13.

In his despatch to the "London Times", its New Delhi correspondent says that Indian commentators are profoundly shocked by the use of the Atomic bomb. The nationalist Press, he says, is of course censorious, but on this occasion their protests have been supported by the European-owned and edited "Statesman".

The correspondent adds: "These criticisms have, of course, to be read in the light of facts that India, although she has suffered severely in this war, has not been under fire and the number of her young men whose lives are being risked in military operations is in proportion to its population very small. This accounts, to some extent, for the critical attitude of nationalistic India to the Potsdam decisions, which, indeed Pandit Nehru roundly condemned as 'a product of revenge and hatred'.

"About Japan there are probably no illusions here now-a-days, but sub-conscious sympathy of one oriental people for another engaged in a war with the Western Powers has betrayed itself from time to time in expressions of that hope that peace might be restored in the Far East without Japan suffering the fate that Germany has suffered".

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WITHOUT COMMENT—

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The Congress Central Board of Bombay is shocked at the execution of Mahendra Chaudhry, coming as it did so soon after the Viceroy's "forgive and forget" appeal.

In our opinion, however, there is really nothing to be shocked at. The Bihar Government, taking earnest note of the appeal, thought it would provide a fresh and dramatic opportunity to India to practise "forgive and forget".

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Mahatma Gandhi wants an enquiry by utterly impartial lawyers into the case against, and execution of, Mahendra Chaudhry.

But what could be a group of more utterly impartial lawyers than the Solons and Law-Givers of Bihar the Governor and his Advisers?

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A report from Gulmarg speaks of "an unmistakable air of optimism and expectation at the Congress President's hut" regarding some move by the Labour Government.

The report is by the special correspondent of the "Civil and Military Gazette".

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Addressing the Transvaal Muslim League the Aga Khan is reported to have said: "At the moment there are two bright spots on the horizon: united brotherhood of the Arab-speaking people and, in Southern Asia, united brotherhood of the Indian people".

What "was" His Highness talking about?

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The leftist commentator, Max Werner anticipates in an American paper that the removal of the Japanese cancer from Asia means "a strong and free China which in turn means a strong and free India".

Speaking in the singular of "a strong and free India" this comrade is evidently not aware of the new dividing Line. He should be put right.

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It is announced from Kandy that the re-occupation of the Dutch East Indies will be undertaken mainly by British troops.

Care-taking for Imperial Netherlands of course.

By the way, will the care-taking "British troops" include Indians too? Undoubtedly they will.

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Dean Inge asserts in a Press article that the Atom bomb involves distinct moral questions when Japanese towns are obliterated.

We agree of course. But then there are so many other things involving moral questions which the Very Reverend Tory Imperialist Gloomy Dean has always blessed.

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The argument, insisted the old Empire and Capitalism loving reverend, that the Atom bomb would shorten the war could not justify any violation of the rules of civilisation.

And what are "the rules of civilisation"? In fact, what is civilisation?

Sources Of Uranium In New Zealand

WELLINGTON, August 13 (Reuter): The New Zealand Minister for Supply and Munitions, Mr. Daniel G. Sullivan, announced to-day the discovery in New Zealand of two possible sources of Uranium—the mineral so far being used for supplying atoms.

It was too early to state whether extraction would be economic, even at the present enhanced prices, but it was obvious some sort of production control would be necessary, he said.

Government would do all in its power to aid development of Atomic power and its application for the best purposes of mankind.

Pilot Plan To Produce Radioactive Atomic Bomb

OTTAWA, August 12 (Reuter): The Canadian Minister for Reconstruction, Mr. Clarence D. Howe, said to-night that Canada is constructing a pilot plant at Chalk River, Ontario, for the production of now radioactive atomic bomb materials which will be valuable in the study of chemical and biological processes and in medical application.

Reviewing Canada's contribution to atomic bomb production and the scientific theory upon which the bomb is based, Mr. Howe said that a joint laboratory which eventually had a staff of 340 was established in 1942 by British and Canadian personnel under the National Research Council.

Red Army Breaks Through To China

Advance 200 Miles In Four Days: Landings Made On Sakhalin Island

LONDON, August 13. (Reuter): As Red Army troops broke through to China to-day, Japan paid a heavy price for every hour's delay with Allied land, sea and air blows on all fronts of the Far East war.

Here is to-night's picture of the latest war developments: land: Soviet troops tearing into Manchuria from three directions are over Khingan mountains from the north and approaching the Central Manchurian range threatening Tsitsihar (Lungkiang) one of the chief industrial cities, a Reuter cable from Moscow said to-night.

Others advancing from the People's Republic of Outer Mongolia—which on Saturday declared war on Japan—are reported by the Japanese News Agency quoting an official communique to be in the vicinity of Linsi which is in the Japanese occupied China province of Jehol.

Linsi is 250 miles north-east of Peiping (Pekin) and this report indicates that the Red Army has cut right through Meng Chiang, the Japanese puppet state, ruled by Prince Teh claimed to be the descendant of the Ancient conquerer Jenghis Khan.

Chinese Communist troops were recently reported operating near Kalgar, Capital of Meng Chiang, 100 miles north-west of Peiping.

200 MILES IN FOUR DAYS

Russia's troops have advanced 200 miles in four days fighting. From the Maritime province to the east, General Meretslov's men have captured Mishan and are within 200 miles of Harbin, the chief Japanese rail centre and supply depot in Manchuria.

Japanese troops on this sector have been found disguising themselves as civilians and shooting Red Army men in the back, frontline despatches report.

In Burma, Fourteenth Army troops continued to drive along the Toungoo-Mawchi road towards Siam, while the Sittang river were reported in of the Sittang river were reported in Reuter cables from SEAC Headquarters today.

In north-west China, General Chu Teh, Commander of the Eighteenth (Communist) Army Group, has now ordered widespread attacks on Japan's armies and lines of communication, the United States office of War Information quoting the Communist New China News Agency reported.

SEA: Russian landings have begun on the Japanese-owned southern end of Sakhalin island at Anbetu on the west and Esutoru on the south coast, the Japanese News Agency reported today.

The Japanese News Agency said: "The concentration of 400 surface craft in Okinawa waters and increased activity by enemy submarines in the coastal waters point to the possibility of landing operations on our homeland."

RECORD NUMBER OF SORTIES AGAINST JAPAN

AIR: General Douglas MacArthur's Far East air force has flown a record number of sorties against Japan since the news of Tokyo's surrender terms, while "Superforts" of the Twentieth Air Force have entirely stopped their strategic bombing in the same period, United States Military Authority announced, said a Reuter cable from Washington tonight.

"We cannot say when the "Super-Fortresses" will resume", the spokesman said. "The Far East air force and the twentieth Air Force are under separate commands but orders might have originated at a superior level."

Meanwhile, after two days' lull 1,200 British and United States carrier planes from Admiral William Halsey's Third Fleet smashed down on the Kanto region round Tokyo, a Reuter cable from Guam reported.

Sunderlands of the Sea Air Command hit shipping in the Gulf of Siam and in the Puket area west of the Kra Isthmus between Siam and Malaya, a message from SEAC Headquarters said.

Systematic reduction of enemy industry, communications and shipping is uninterrupted", General Douglas MacArthur's communique from Manila said today.

Jap Resistance North-East Of Pegu Continues

ADV. HQ. S.E.A.C., August 13 (API): Japanese resistance continued in the Lower Sittang sector north-east of Pegu, says to-day's S.E.A.C. 'communique'.

Enemy snipers were active against our patrols in the area of Myitkyo and astride the Pegu-Martaban railway east of Abya.

North-east of Penwegon, on the banks of the Sittanig River, our troops encountered machine-gun fire and sniping. Aggressive patrolling and ambushes inflicted a number of casualties on the enemy in this area.

On the Toungoo-Mawchi road the advance continued.

S.E.A.C. OLYMPIC

South-East Asia Olympic games are to be held in Calcutta from December 8 to 16. The tournament which is being organised under American auspices, will include field and track events, swimming, lawn tennis and wrestling. It will be open to all servicemen as also to civilians vouched for by any provincial olympic or sports associations in India, Burma, Afghanistan, China or Ceylon. On the opening day, runners carrying a flaming torch will come in relays, probably from Benares.

Air Attack On Tokyo

GUAM, August 13 (Reuter).—What is believed to be the full power of the British and United States Carrier Task Forces has been crashing down on the environs of Tokyo since dawn today, with reverberations of low level strafing and bombing attack carrying into the Council Chambers where the Japanese rulers still sitting on fateful decision, says David Brown, Reuter's special correspondent.

Possibly 1,200 to 1,500 carrier based bombers, fighters and torpedo planes took part, driving home the point that the war has not yet ended.

The Allies also realized that the war was not over when a single Japanese plane attacked and scored a hit on a major United States warship anchored in Buckner Bay, Okinawa.

This swift interchange of solar plexus punches, expected more during the height of the war than at the crucial point of surrender negotiations, pushed the tension at forward headquarters and naval and strategic bomber headquarters to an almost insupportable level.

Installations In Central Honshu Attacked

LONDON, August 13.—A Japanese News Agency broadcast quoted by the office of war information tonight said that Allied carrier planes, making 800 sorties on Monday morning (Tokyo Time) attacked airfields and military installations in central Honshu, the principal targets being in Kanto area which includes Tokyo, says a Reuter despatch from New York.

Newspapers' Special Victory Number

Supplementary Ration Of Newsprint Will Be Issued

NEW DELHI, August 13 (A.P.I.): The Government of India in the Department of Industries and Civil Supplies have decided to permit newspapers to bring out special Victory Number on the official announcement of Victory and to allow them a special newsprint ration sufficient to provide paper for at least as many pages as the newspapers or the journals concerned may ordinarily be bringing out in each issue, says a Press Note. This will amount to the following supplementary ration in the case of dailies, weeklies, fortnightlies, etc.

(1) Dailies—A special ration equal to the 1/30 of the present monthly ration.

(2) Weeklies: A special ration equal to the 1/4th of the present monthly ration.

(3) Fortnightlies: A special ration equal to 1/2 of the present monthly ration.

(4) Monthlies and other quarterlies: A special ration equal to one issue of such paper.

This permission is granted subject to the conditions: (1) that the extra ration of newsprint allowed is utilised exclusively for the Victory Special and (2) that no paper other than newsprint is used in its production. A certificate of fulfilment of these conditions and of the extra quantity of newsprint used for this purpose may be furnished to the Controller of Newsprint, Simla, after the publication of the Victory Number.

Newspapers may draw on their existing stocks to the extent indicated above, and permit for the purchases of newsprint to replace the quantity so used, will be issued on receipt of the above mentioned certificate.

Newspapers and periodicals which are not in receipt of newsprint ration and are printed on paper other than newsprint, may, in the production of Victory Specials, print extra number of pages equal to one ordinary issue of their newspaper determined in accordance with the Paper Control (Economy) Order 1944.



Sir Ardeshir Dalal, (left) Member for Planning and Development, Government of India, snapped with his Secretary, Mr. H. R. V. Iyengar, on his return at Karachi from a tour of U. S. and Britain.

Dr. P. C. Ghosh Warns Govt.

No More Rice Export From Bengal

BARKANTA (Comilla), August 13. (U.P.I.): In view of drought and apprehended scarcity of rice, Dr. Prafulla Chandra Ghosh, member of the Congress Working Committee, speaking before a huge gathering, warned the Government and the people against the export of rice from Bengal this year as proposed by the Government and stressed that unless the country stood determined, another greater famine would sweep away Bengal in the near future.

He characterised the action of the present Government as senseless and said that the lessons of the last famine should have made it wiser.

Earlier, Dr. Ghosh performed the opening ceremony of the Kasturba Seva Mandir and Khadi Vidyalaya at Barkanta.

Jap Consul In Dublin Worried

Sips Indian Tea; No Funds From Fatherland!

LONDON, August 13. (Reuter): Now that Japan has lost the war, the 40-year old Japanese Consul-General in Dublin, Setsuya Beppu, is very worried and does not know what is to become of him, reports the "Daily Express" to-day.

The "Daily Express" adds: "He sits in the regency-furnished drawing room of his suburban house and he sips Indian tea.

"Beppu is more pre-occupied because he has not had any funds or mail from the Fatherland for some weeks. He has been in Ireland since 1940 and has grown to like the countryside, sport, the theatre and films.

"'In the event of Japan being defeated I would like to stay here and settle down. If we have any family I would like the children to go to an Irish school', he said".

Mikado Is No Figurehead

(From Our Correspondent)

LONDON, August 13

The conception that the Mikado was just a figurehead is not borne out by facts. Politically and economically Hirohito holds greater powers than any monarch but his religious role has given him prestige far beyond any political or economic dictator in the world.

Facts reveal that the Emperor, as one of the greatest financial powers in Japan holds 141,000 shares in the Bank of Japan, 10,000 shares in the Hypothec Bank and it is not stated, but undoubtedly a large number of shares in the Yokohama Specie Bank and in the Industrial Bank of Japan 54,000 shares, in the Mitsuibank 161,000 shares, in the famous Ojo Paper Company 38,000 shares, South Manchurian Railway 24,000 shares, in the Tokio Electric Light Company 20,000 shares, in the Taiwan Sugar Manufacturing Company. Japanese industrialists by making Mikado part of their economic oligarchy made him absolutely dominant in Japanese life. They, who believed he was responsible for surrender proposals also suggested the retention of the Mikado's role in Japan's post-war life but their position was not different from that of German industrialists who during the last war sheltered behind the Kaiser and in this war behind Hitler. What Japanese industrialists lost from foreign markets closing down after Pearl Harbour they have made up for increased war-business for heavy industries. Small businessmen who lost most from lack of foreign trade gladly accepted war orders. So the Emperor together with big and small industrialists organised Japan's gigantic economic war machine—all of whom therefore share Japan's war guilt and behind all this, is the military clique and overall sits Mikado.

Singapore War Lord May Commit Suicide

LONDON, August 13 (Reuter): Singapore will be a great test case of how the Japanese Army will treat the order to surrender, writes the "Daily Mail" correspondent at S. E. A. C. Headquarters, Ceylon.

He says: "Some time ago there moved into Singapore as Commander-in-Chief of all the Japanese forces, marshalled to defend Malaya, one of the most cruel fire-eaters from Nippon.

"He is General Seishiro Itagaki, former War Minister in Tokyo. He is one of the first five senators responsible both for this war and the manner in which the Japanese have fought it.

"If he were to accept the order to surrender, it is almost certain that garrison commanders in the East Indies, South-West Pacific and China would follow suit. Plans have been laid to meet the possibility of the garrison ignoring a call to surrender.

"A mysterious ministerial clique is standing between the Japanese Government and the Mikado. No change of Government has ever altered Japan's high policy.

"Governments have been a mere blind and have been retained for the precise object of misleading the Japanese public and the outside world by the so-called changes at times of crisis.

"Seishiro Itagaki, now sitting at Singapore, is member of the hidden "Super Government" of Japan.

"He will not accept any orders from the so-called Government in Tokyo, but he may accept the Mikado's will. In that case he will probably surrender by committing suicide.

"And hundreds, perhaps thousands of Japanese officers will take their lead from him."

PETAIN WILL NOT ASK FOR MERCY

"He Does Not Defend His Life, But His Honour," Says Counsel

PARIS, August 13. (Reuter): Marshal Philippe Petain, the 89-year-old Vichy Head of State over whom since Saturday hangs the prosecution's demand for a death sentence, will not ask for mercy.

With this declaration Maitre Fernand Payen, Marshal Petain's principal defence counsel, to-day opened the case for the defence at the nineteenth hearing of the four weeks old trial.

"There is the man, modest and disinterested,—and that is the man who was brought before you in a prison van", Payen exclaimed. "There is his head—take it if you wish: Marshal Petain will never ask for mercy".

SPECIAL POLICE PRECAUTIONS

Special police measures have been taken to prevent any pro-Petain scenes in the public gallery when the defence put its case, and precautions to keep unauthorised persons out of the courtroom were tightened up.

Marshal Petain himself was showing signs of strain, and at one point plaintively asked the President of the Court to remove some photographers who were worrying him. But he appeared to have lost none of the dignity with which he first entered the court.

There was no indication that he was going to abandon his declared intention not to speak in his own defence.

HE DEFENDS HIS HONOUR

Opening the case for the defence in which he and Maitre Lemaire can draw on the evidence of 43 defence witnesses, Payen who delivered his plea, in a moving voice said that he was deeply grieven when he heard prosecutor Andre Mornet ask for a death sentence on "this glorious son of France".

Marshal Petain was "defending not his life, but his honour." The charge of plotting against the French State was "just grotesque" and should have been dropped by the prosecution at the very outset of the trial.

Payen declared that he hoped to be able to prove conclusively tomorrow that Marshal Petain was not responsible for the defeat of France. Politicians who had given evidence against the Marshal, are the very men who were held responsible for that defeat, he charged.

In defending the Franco-German Armistice counsel made three main points: Firstly, Marshal Petain did not leave France. "It became an obsession with him to remain to protect the population."

FACTS ABOVE TEXTS

Secondly: "Nobody in Britain blamed France for the Armistice. The British are a reasonable people who know that there are facts above texts"

Thirdly: "Mr. Winston Churchill, the then Prime Minister, himself took the initiative of examining the conditions under which Britain would free France from her undertakings of March 28, 1940. Britain was satisfied. France did not violate her agreement—she can keep her head high."

When the hearing was suspended it was 15-30 (Paris Time). Marshal Petain as he left the court shook hands with a lady he met in the corridor. He then went on to his cell.

Before the suspension, Payen drew a gloomy picture of what could have been France's fate if the Armistice had not been signed. The Germans would have taken two million more men out of whom were later to spring leaders of the French resistance, he said.

During this part of his speech, resistance members of the jury appeared to be dozing or smiling sceptically.

LAVAL'S TRIAL

As the great trial of Marshal Petain overshadowed by more momentous world events is drawing to a close. French justice today began its initial proceedings against the man whose trial, when it comes, may well prove the most sensational ever staged in a French court.

Pierre Laval, twice Premier of pre-war France and for many months during the war the power behind Vichy, appealed before the examining Magistrate, Pierre Beteille today. He was brought to Beteille's office from Freanes Prison where he was awaiting trial for treason with many prominent collaborators. In his presence the seals were broken from one of his suitcases containing important documents relevant to his case.

THREAT TO JURORS IN PETAIN TRIAL

PARIS, August 13. (A.P.A.): Jurors hearing the final arguments in the treason trial of Marshal Phillipe Petain disclosed to-day that nearly all of them have received letters threatening them with death if they condemn the former Vichy Chief of State.

Juror Pierre Bloch said that one of his letters ended with the words: "Death to the Jews." Another contained a warning: "Beware—I am sitting just a few feet from you in the courtroom."

CALCUTTA STOCK EXCHANGE

CALCUTTA, Aug. 13.

The Calcutta Stock Exchange today ruled quiet but steady in almost all sections after the weekend. The volume of business was moderate.

Government securities displayed an easier trend. The following are today's final transactions up to 3 p.m.:—

GOVERNMENTS SECURITIES: 2-3/4 p c Loan 1946/52 100/1/6 3 p c Government Paper 95/1 3 p c Defence Loan 1948/52 101/9/6 3 p c Loan 1963/65 99/1/6 3 p c Victory Bonus 1946 100/4 small odd lot 3 p c Loan 1966/68 98/6 3 p c Loan 1970/75 99/7/6 3-1/2 p c Government Paper 101/8/6.

BANKS: Nath Bank 33/14 Reserve Bank of India 137 United Commercial Bank 29/12 premium

COTTONS: Benares Cotton 12/2 Cawnpore Textiles 13/4 Dunbar 330 Elgin Mills Ordy 449 New Victoria Mills Ordy 7/14 Ditto Preference 9/10 small lot.

COALS: Amalgamated 55 Borrea 45/12 Bengal 768 Bhalgora 23/9 Bhulanbarree 36/8 Burrakur 44/11 Central India 12/10 Central Kurkend 49/8 Ct Dhemo Main 30/12 Churulia 7/7 East Indian 45/12 Equitable 71/6 Kalapahari 41/10 Ghusick and Cusha 17/6 Nazira 19/10 New Beerbhoom 46/5 Raneegunge 64 Satpukuria and Asansol 11/4 Standard 46/6 Union 52 South Karanpura 37/6 Talcher 13/12 Western Bengal 12/14.

JUTES: Agarpara 38/11 Alliance 756 Anlonilla 525 Auckland 365 Baly 419 Belvedere 591 Barnagore 280 Champdany 281 Chivot 271 Chitavalsah 38/14 Dalhousie 414 Delta 656 Empire 55/8 Fort Gloster 938 Fort William 511 Ganges 656 Gourepore 933 Howrah 94/14 India 765 Kamarhatty 800 Kinnison 453 Kanknarrah 665 Negna 151 National 35/15 Nuddea 140/4 Orient 309 Presidency 14/4 Reliance 83/12 Union 552.

MININGS: Burma Corpn. 6/1 Consolidated tin 4/2 Indian Copper Corpn 3/6 Karanpura Development 3/8 Tavoy tin 3/3.

ENGINEERING: Braithwaite and Co 14/4 Indian Iron and Steel Ordy 40/9 Jessops 26/9 Kumardhubi Engineering 11/1 Marshalls 6/10 National Iron 11/11 Saran Engineering 10/5 Ct Textile Machinery 16 Steel Corpn. of Bengal Ordy 33/8.

MISCELLANEOUS: Assam Bengal Cement Ordy 19/10 Ditto Deid Dalmia Cement Ordy 17 New Asiatic Insurance 9/12 B Ruby General Insurance 19 Aluminium Corpn Ordy 16/12 British Indian Corpn 7/12 Bararee Coke 37/8 Calcutta Tramsays 54/8 Indian Cables 32/4 Ct Indian National Airways Ordy 26/12 Ditto Deid 10 small odd lot Indian Wood Products 31/12 Ct Ivan Jones 5/9 Kohtas Industries 16/10 Walford Transport Ordy 6/6 Ditto Preferred Ordy 4/2 British Burma Petroeum 6/2 Indo-Burma Petroleum 118 Star Paper 16/14 Titaghur Paper 31/15 Commercial Properties 1/6 Midnapore Zemindary 192 Assam Saw Mills 6/7 India General Navigation Ordy 2/13 Port Shipping 30/13.

SUGARS: Balrampore 18/5 Belu 18/5 Carew and Co 30/10 Cawnpore 41/12 Champaran 41 Dyer Meakin Breweries 16/2 Muree Brewery 27/6 Purtabpore 24/12 Ramugger Cane and Sugar 22/4 Ryam 43/8 small lot Samastipore 21 United Provinces Sugar 30/12 Ct.

TEAS: Baghmari 20/2 Bishnauth 48 Chundeecherra 28/8 Coolickoosie 35/4 Dhunser 12/3 Grob "A" 27 Jaybirpara 48/4 Hattikhirra 29/12 New Dooars 1480 Cumdiv Rungamatee 402/8 Sapoi 27/4 —A. P. I.

AHMEDABAD SHARE MARKET

AHMEDABAD, Aug. 13

Due to crisis and nervousness market worked from 1 p.m. to 5-30 p.m. business was very wide and market fluctuated heavily. Calico Highest 1261 Lowest 1224 Closed 1241 Arvind Opened 1864 Highest 1875 Lowest 1335 Closed 1356 Ambika Opened 440 Lowest 427 closed 430

Closing quotations: Laxmi Cotton 360 Arvind 1356 Arvind Straw Board 72, Ambika 430, Calico 1241, Old Commercial 477/8/0, Jupiter 326, New Manekchawk 306/14/10, Morris Transport 121, Marsdon 168, Monogram 141, Differd 2175, Ordinary 400.

Following shares were given in delivery at weekend.

Calico 107, Ambika 296, Arvind 651, Jupiter 28, Marsdon 38, Monogram 46, Saraspur 87, Ordinary 45, Differred 8. Previous the close market flared up on firmness of Bombay and on rumours of prolongation of war.

KARACHI COTTON

KARACHI, Aug. 13.

Cotton ready Sind Desi 39, Punjab Desi 24, Eind Nt. 46/2, Four F 39/12, Jany 42/8/3, March 43/4 ready business 820, Arrivals 2520, Exports 20,800, bales, Silver Tuesday 132/4, Gold 71/9, fluctuations were wide on various peace rumours.

INDORE SHARE MARKET

INDORE CITY, Aug. 13.

Following are closing quotations Indore Malwa 708 Hukamchand 796 Bhandarimill 718 Vinodmill 645 Kalyanmal 260 Kalyanmal Pref 168 Rajkumal 167 Indore Bank 70.

MADRAS SHARE MARKET

MADRAS, Aug. 13.

Following are today's quotations on the Madras Stock Exchange:—

SUGARS AND BREWERIES:—Deccan 31/4 Do 75/8 India Sugar 31/12 Mysore Sugar 59/12 Travancore 16/12.

PLANTINGS:—Cochin Malabar C. D 16/6 Chembra Peaks 9/10 Devasholia 15 Fringford 16/4 High Produce 29/14 Kalpetta 34 Malankara 91/4 Manalur 5 Read 5 Midland 12/10 Nellithanao 14/8 Pullangoes 2/14 Thirumbadi 4/2 Vaikundam 21/2 Vellamalai 38 Vellitam C D 34/12 Weedlands 12/19.

TEXTILES:—Bangalore Wool 497 B and C Ordy CD 342 Cambodia 28/12 Combatore Spg 150 Coimbatore Murugan 200 Do New 100 Dhanalaxmi 375 L Kaleeswarar 675 Kothari Tex 32 Lakshmi 174 Do New 85 Mettur XD 248/8 Madura 73 Pankaja 267/8 Rangavilas 150 Sitaram Sp 180 Trichinopoly 23/2 Vasantha 311.

MISCELLANEOUS:—And Cement 117 Bruntons 12/6 Hind Trust 21/12 Ind St Roll 9/8 Myso Prithvi 10/12 Singareni 20/8 Spencer 14/14.—A. P.

Riotous celebrations were touched off in Sydney by a radio broadcast of the false report, while in many Canadian cities the celebrations are reported to be continuing long after the announcement was retracted.

The false report was flashed by the British United Press on its British news wire, but was killed before it was either broadcast or published in any London newspaper, says the Associated Press of America.

RIOTEOUS SCENES

Reuter cables from Sydney said: One hundred thousand people swarmed through Martin Place, Sydney, last night in a wild peace celebration following false radio announcements that the war had ended.

Street rowdies and some young servicemen rioted for an hour and the police had to use force to disperse them. Hundreds mobbed fire engines that came on the scene to put out a fire and prevented the firemen from using the hoses. Ladders were torn from the engines and carried away. The sirens were removed from the engines, headlamps smashed and tyres deflated. A number of rioters smashed a water fountain. The water cascaded in all directions. The men, stripped to waist, fought under the fountain till they were dispersed.

The demonstrators uprooted a poplar, specially brought from France and planted at the base of the cenotaph and removed wreaths which threw about the road. They also smashed up flower stalls, conducted in the vicinity by limbless soldiers, and used them as fuel for bonfires.

Fire brigades were called in, but were helpless against the urging crowd of youths and girls who closed round the fire engines and let down their tyres.

Demonstrators in other parts of the city interfered with trams.

Widespread indignation was voiced here today at the behaviour of certain elements who spent last night in premature celebration of the surrender of Japan.

The police emphasised that the trouble was confined to irresponsible elements carried away by mass hysteria and that the behaviour of Australian, British and American servicemen was exemplary.

MYSTERY FLASH AND VICTORY REVELRIES

(Continued from Page 1)

ed at 22-04 (Japanese Time) with a French language broadcast saying that the Emperor had received the Foreign Minister, Shigenori Togo, in audience at 14-10 hours ((Tokyo-Time) today.

"Togo made a report to the Throne on the affairs under his jurisdiction", Domei said.

Then the Tokyo radio said, "stand by", but later resumed its regular French broadcast.

MYSTERY REPORT

Hugh Baillie, President of the United Press of America offered today a reward of 5,000 dollars for information leading to the identification and conviction of the person who transmitted a false flash on the United Press wires, that the peace terms had been accepted.

A flash from a mysterious origin saying that Japan had accepted the peace terms was fed into the United Press of America leased wire system in the United States tonight, says a U.P.A. cable from New York.

The flash carried a Washington dateline but was not transmitted by the Washington Bureau of the United Press. The Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Federal Communications Commission have been asked immediately to ascertain who could have cut into the United Press leased wire system with intent to disseminate false information.

New York said that its southern trunk wire, which is operated through Washington, was broken suddenly shortly after 9-30 p. m. (New York Time) with the flash of the Japanese surrender. Two minutes later the flash was killed by the United Press after it developed. It did not originate from Washington.

The "United Press" had been unable by late this morning to track down the mystery, says Reuter.

The first press comment on the incident today came from the New York newspaper "P.M." which said: "Whether the flash was planted or not, its effect could not have been worse if it had been deliberately designed as part of Japanese psychological warfare to sabotage the firmness of America's stand."

VICTORY REVALRIES

But the mystery report had already worked its way, before its currency could be checked. Church bells started pealing, jubilant crowds gathered and danced in the streets of many American cities. Expectant crowds gathered in front of White House in Washington and police reserves were called out, but the masses became quiet again when the contradiction spread.

Throughout Canada, where the false report resulted in the premature release of a recorded victory broadcast by Prime Minister MacKenzie King, civilians and soldiers poured into the streets in jubilation.

While harbour whistles set up a deep roar around New York, the police had difficulty in the "Times" square in Persuading the mob to disperse after the flash was killed.

Firecrackers exploded in Manhattan's Chinatown, whose narrow, twisting streets filled quickly with crowds.

TEST TUBE SWINDLE

NEW YORK, (By Mail). (I.P.S.): Mrs. Garnette Knighton of Freeport, Illinois found a way of making money from test tube babies, it was alleged in the court at Freeport, recently. She got in touch with a soldier stationed 2,000 miles away in California through the "Lonely Hearts Club", and told him that she was young, beautiful and wanted children. She induced him to cooperate by test tube and then told him she had got two children. The soldier believed her and got two allotments to support the children and started two insurance policies making Knighton as the beneficiary. The case is proceeding.

Fatal Sequel To Domestic Quarrel

BOMBAY, Monday.

A quarrel between a woman and her husband on a domestic issue, ended in tragedy to-day. The woman Nanibai Bheema jumped from the second floor of her residence at B. I. T. Chawls with her two children in her two hands.

One child Pala died on the spot. The mother and her other child are in hospital, seriously injured, in a precarious condition.

Step Towards Responsible Govt. In Kenya

(From Our Correspondent)

NEW DELHI, August 13

The Kenya Legislative Council according to advices received here, approves Government's proposals for the reorganisation of administration of that colony.

Government of India have reiterated its protest and have urged for withholding action thereon. Up to the present, all authority in Kenya has been canalized to the Chief Secretary who has been responsible on behalf of the Governor for decisions on all matters. It is now proposed to organise departments in groups each answerable to a member of the Executive Council and will have direct responsibility for them to the Governor. Government also proposes that in choice of members of the Council, Governor should not be restricted to Civil Service and reorganisation of machinery of Government should enable full use to be made of help and advice of experienced members of general public.

This is a step towards responsible Government but devolution of authority from Governor to non-official members of Executive Council, it urged, should be extended to Indian settlers as well.

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CLOTH RATIONING IN BOMBAY AND SUBURBS

APPLY IN FORM C-6 WHEN FOODGRAINS RATION UNITS INCREASE

The number of food grains rations units held by a family increases when the new arrivals come in for permanent stay or a child's one-unit foodgrains card is changed into a two-unit card on completing the age of 6. Apply in form C-6 for a corresponding increase in the composition of the family in the cloth registration sheet for which provision has been made in the sheet.

* The application should be presented at the Rationing Office of the Ward in which the family's cloth shop is located. Along with it should be produced the counter-foil of the cloth registration sheet, and the foodgrains rations cards of the head of the household and of the person concerned in whose respect the change is sought to be made.

Please remember that on and after September 1, such applications will not be entertained immediately on presentation but after three months from the date on which the increase in the foodgrains ration units takes place.

London Stock Exchange

FAR EASTERN ISSUES IN DEMAND

LONDON, Aug. 13 (Reuter).

Further reflecting the Japanese offer of peace terms, stock markets today presented a cheerful appearance.

Far Eastern issues were notably firm with some Chinese Bonds over two pounds higher, while Japanese issues in some instances recorded gains upto three pounds though some profit-taking in the latter group tended to reduce the improvement. Good buying also developed in rubber shares and eastern tin mines, while some industrials with Far Eastern interests attracted considerable attention.

Industrials on the whole met fair support with sizeable interest in Textile shares following Sir Stafford Cripps' announcement that the new Government did not intend nationalising industry.

Tobacco shares were wanted on their Far Eastern interests while there was small support for stores.

British funds ruled quietly firm but there was some demand for British railways and leading oils.

No Justice For India Even From Labour Govt.

Kripalani Exhorts Progressives To Be Prepared For Next Struggle

BOMBAY, Monday.

Speaking at a Progressive Group meeting this evening at the University Convocation Hall, Acharya Kripalani, in reply to a question said that he did not see any use in any non-Muslim trying to approach the Muslim masses, in order to persuade them to strengthen the hands of the Congress. As a Hindu, he had to confess that it was beyond him. He felt that he was suspect. It was up to the Muslim masses to discredit their present leadership by trying to understand where it was leading them.

Acharya Kripalani first made it clear that he was speaking only in his personal capacity, and not as the Secretary of the Indian National Congress.

Mr. R. K. Karanjia presided.

OUTBURST OF POPULAR RESENTMENT

The speaker said that the Congress launched no movement in August 1942. It was good for the Government that they had not. What happened was a burst of popular resentment. The movement failed—but not morally. Moral forces did not perish from the earth so easily, nor could they be suppressed. This was the strength of the Congress in its unequal fight against the British Government.

After clapping the country's leaders in jail, the Government carried on the administration by means of ordinances. The resultant evils, of black markets, famines and wholesale corruptions were known to everybody.

Acharya Kripalani spoke about the futile efforts and waste of energy on the part of those men who thought that they could come to a compromise with the Government, behind the back of the nations leaders. "These optimists", he said, "did not believe in their own men."

SIMLA DEBACLE

Acharya Kripalani made a detailed survey of the Simla debacle. He said that it was irrelevant to gloss over the issues by saying that Lord Wavell was a gentleman. What Lord Wavell actually did when he took the blame for the failure on himself, was to protect the ruling class of England from blame. The Conservatives always said, that they could do nothing to promote the freedom of India, till all the parties agreed. Lord Wavell did the same. If so, what was the need to call the conference and waste everybody's time? He could have called only Mr. Jinnah, and said to him "unless all the parties agree, we can do nothing."

Acharya Kripalani was intrigued at the sudden end of the Simla Conference. While Lord Wavell admitted that he could not accept Mr. Jinnah's stand, he had terminated the conference, just because Mr. Jinnah would not agree to his list.

Referring to the expectations harboured by some people, on account of the Labour Government in England, Acharya Kripalani said, that he could see, not much hope of Labour doing anything for India. It must be remembered that Labour had come into power on a programme of social security and a good living standard for the English people in the post-war years. How could they do it without the Indian market? The British could not compete for world-market with Germany or Japan in pre-war years. Could they in the post-war years compete with America or with Russia, which also would like to compete for the world-market, he asked.

The only alternative was to hold on to the Indian market. Hence he saw no hope in the Labour victory. So it was up to the Indians to be ready for the next struggle.

He answered a number of questions.

Freedom's Battle Must Continue Says Kripalani

BOMBAY, Saturday.

"All the nations of the world, live in a war tension even in peaceful times. If that is true for free countries, how much truer should it be for slave countries. The tension continues perpetually for us, until the freedom is won," declared Acharya J. B. Kripalani, General Secretary of the Indian National Congress, while addressing the students of Bombay this evening at the Jinnah Hall, under the auspices of the Bombay Students' Union, Mr. S. K. Patil presiding.

Acharya Kripalani, stressing the continuity of the freedom movement, despite the temporary lulls declared: "If anybody is labouring under an illusion that the battle is over and the country is in the jaw of a deadlock, he is misguided. The nation is passing through a period of intuition. The pitch of the mass movement has risen progressively from 1930 onward, and the end of every movement has marked the beginning of a more ferocious battle,ferocious for the enemies of freedom. The next phase of the freedom movement must be of far greater intensity than that of the 1942 movement, and for that reason the country should also prepare for still bigger sacrifices. If our striking power should increase revitalising of the organisation should be speeded up."

BATTLE OF PREPARATION

Acharya Kripalani proceeding declared that the laws that governed violent operations were equally true for a non-violent struggle. Even in the peace time, the army is maintained in full battle kit and with full-fledged training. Similarly, there were two programmes in the national movement peaceful and warlike. "There is a declared war which is fought on the fronts, and there is another one of preparation for the next move, going on silently."

Continuing, Acharya Kripalani referred to various accusations made against Gandhiji and other Congress leaders that they were friends of capitalists and imperialists.

"These charges were claimed to have been based on "factual study", but in doing so the solid facts of the life and work of Gandhiji and other leaders who followed him are missed. Mind and matter together make facts. If you delete either of the two, there remain no facts—that is what dilectical materialism leads to.

SECRET OF GANDHIJI'S LEADERSHIP

"Students so far refused to listen to us. But now it appears they have freed themselves from the slavery of these high-sounding slogans. Whatever be their ideological labels, they rally round the Congress and acknowledge the supreme hold of Gandhiji over the masses. All know to-day that if anybody paved the way for the mass spirit of 1942 movement it was that old-fashioned Gandhi.

ADVICE TO STUDENTS

Acharya Kripalani clarified that the students may not necessarily follow Gandhiji's constructive programme, but they must chalk up their own programme. Until that was done, they must be content with the available programme and put it to the best use. He deplored the multiplying number of 'caste' in politics, because for waging the freedom battle there could be only one organisation—namely, the Congress. He warned against the moderatism that was still alive in a different garb. This moderatism believed in looting at other countries for the freedom of India. Concluding, he advised the students to build up a strong and really active organisation and a sense of disciplined co-operation.

PURDY CASE CONTINUES

The hearing in the case against Dr. Purdy, Mallikarjun Rao, Robert Goodall and Reuben Sefarian was resumed on Monday, before Mr. P. D. Kanga, Presidency Magistrate, Esplanade Police Court. The accused in this case, stand charged with escaping from legal custody, assault, wrongful confinement and abetting each other in the act.

When the case was taken up, Mr. D. J. Ganatra appearing for accused 2 and 4 made an application to the Court to ask the witnesses in the case to leave the Court. The witness inside the Court at the time was Mr. Rasne, the Senior Jailor and Mr. C. B. Velkar, Police Prosecutor said that he was taking instructions from the Senior Jailor and as such wanted him by his side. Dr. Purdy supporting Mr. Ganathra stated that he was calling the Senior Jailor as a witness for the defence and more than that he feared that the witness in the box, a convict warder, would not tell the truth if the Senior Jailor was present. The Magistrate, complying with the defence request, asked Mr. Rasne to remain outside.

Prosecution witnesses Gundaji, a convict warder and Anand Dhondjee, a jail sepoy, were cross-examined by Dr. Purdy and Mr. D. J. Ganatra.

When the Court was about to rise Mr. Ganatra made an application on behalf of the fourth accused that he was being put into solitary confinement though he was only an undertrial prisoner and had not been committed for any offence. The Magistrate promised to make enquiries regarding the complaint.

INDIA MUST BE CONSULTED ON FUTURE OF JAPAN

"News Chronicle Doubts Whether Potsdam Declaration Will Lead To Democracy In Enemy Country

LONDON, August 13 (Reuter): India's views among those of China and Russia should be considered in deciding Japanese future, counsels the liberal "News Chronicle" today.

Urging full weight for Asiatic opinion the paper says India's political institutions, though still to be developed, bear the imprint of consent.

"It is indeed a pity", adds the paper, "that Lord Wavell failed to secure an All-Indian Administration. At such a time it could play a creative part in shaping the peace of Asia."

The "News Chronicle" expresses doubts about the emergence of democracy in Japan and asks whether the Potsdam declaration implies its establishment there.

"If so", says the paper "the Big Four are calling upon the Emperor to commit political "hara-kiri."

TRIBUTES TO TILAK'S MEMORY

COLOMBO, August 13 (U.P.A.): A public meeting held in the Town Hall of Colombo paid tributes to Lokamanya Bal Gangadhar Tilak on the 25th anniversary of the death of the great Indian patriot and scholar. Sir Oliver Goonetilleke, who presided, recalled that Mr. M. S. Aney, Raj Representative in Ceylon, was a devoted disciple of Tilak, and that it was Tilak's most ardent aspirations that India and Ceylon should attain complete union. It was significant, therefore, that Mr. Aney was engaged in putting that wish into effect.

LATHI CHARGE LEADS TO STUDENTS' STRIKE

DACCA, August 12 (API): The students' strike in some educational institutions as a protest against the lathi charge by the police on a batch of students at the gate of the girls college on August 9, continued yesterday.

Meanwhile, cases under Section 353 and 147 I.P.C. for assaulting a public servant while on duty and rioting have been started against six boys who were arrested in connection with the incident and later enlarged on bail.

The strike of the students of Ukil's institution terminated yesterday.

Capital Issue Control Order To Be Amended

(From Our Correspondent)

AHMEDABAD, Aug. 13

From enquiring in industrial circles it is gathered that in near future the Capital Issue Control Order is likely to be withdrawn or its rigid control likely to be lessened.

Mrs. Pandit "Doing Nicely" After Operation

NEW YORK, August 13 (UPA): Miss Chandralekha Pandit told the 'United Press of America' that her mother was progressing nicely after her operation but "won't leave the hospital for several weeks."

APPEAL AGAINST MULLAJI SAHEB ALLOWED

Statutory Notice Defective

(Before the Hon. the Acting Chief Justice and Mr. Justice Gajendragadkar).

The Advocate-General of Bombay ..... Appellant (Original Defendant).

Versus

His Holiness the High Priest of Shia Dawoodi Bohras, Respondent (Original Plaintiff)

This was a suit for a declaration that numerous properties in Surat city mentioned in the schedule to the plaint, except the prayer halls in certain Masjids, were not Warf properties and the plaintiff was not the Mutawalli (trustee) thereof under the Warf Act 42 of 1923 and that he was not liable to furnish particulars or render accounts under Sections 3 and 5 of that Act in respect of any of those properties. By a notice issued by the District Judge of Surat on 3rd January 1934, the plaintiff and others as Mutawallis of those properties had been called upon to file statements under Sections 3 and 5 of the Warf Act. After an instructuous suit against the Collector of Surat and the Secretary of State in which it had been contended by the defendants that they had no interest and there was no cause of action, the present suit was filed in the Court of the First Class Subordinate Judge at Surat against the Advocate-General as representing charity. The trial Judge decreed the plaintiff's suit, except as to the Town Masjid proper and a few other specified Masjids. The Advocate-General appealed to the High Court.

After the hearing had proceeded for several days, the case was adjourned to Monday August 13, in order to enable Mr. Munshi to consider his position as to the evidence in the case.

At the resumed hearing, Mr. Munshi conceded that two months' notice to the Advocate-General under Section 80 of the Civil Procedure Code was necessary, and that a valid notice under that section had not been given. Mr. Munshi did not propose to argue the appeal any further as this objection went to the root of the matter.

Their lordships therefore allowed the appeal and dismissed the Mullaji Saheb's suit with costs throughout. His cross-objections were also dismissed with costs.

Mr. H. C. Coyajee with the Government Pleader appeared for the appellant.

Mr. K M. Munshi and Mr. Nanubhai K. Desai with Mr. Tyab S. Diwanji instructed by Messrs. Mulla and Mulla appeared for the respondent.

Mahadeo Desai Anniversary

To-morrow's Programme Of Meetings And Flag Salutations

Mr. S. K. Patil, General Secretary of the B. P. C. C., announces the following programme for Shri Mahadeobhai Desai anniversary:

The citizens of Bombay are aware that to-morrow (Wednesday, August 15) comes the third death anniversary of Shri Mahadeobhai Desai. A grateful nation proud of its national heritage and cherishing the memories of its illustrious patriots can never forget its M. D. his pen name and also the pet name given to Shri Mahadeo Desai by the people of this country. An ideal secretary who vividly and truthfully interpreted the Gandhian way of life to both the classes and the masses of this country and even to outside world is, indeed, a great national heritage.

In the name of the Congress I earnestly appeal to the citizens of Bombay to join in the observance of the anniversary programme and demonstrate their undying love and feeling of comradeship to the ideal patriot who lived and died for India.

Following is the programme to which useful additions can be made by various Congress and other public organisations:

9 a.m. Flag Salutation in all the seven Wards of the City by the D. C. Cs. concerned.

9-15 a.m. Garlanding of the portrait of Shri Mahadeo Desai. Short messages on the life mission of Shri Mahadeo Desai can be delivered at the Flag Salutation.

6 p.m. Meeting at Jinnah Hall where tributes will be paid to the memory of Shri Mahadeo Desai.

Throughout the day, Mahadeo Desai Fund coupons will be sold by Congress and public workers. Coupons can be had at Jinnah Hall, Vithalbhai Patel Road, Bombay 4.

PUNJAB CONGRESS EXECUTIVE TO MEET ON AUG. 24

Secretary's Request To Premier To Restore Bradlaugh Hall

GULMARG (Kashmir), August 12 (A.P.I.): After over three years the Working Committee of the Punjab Provincial Congress Committee is meeting at Lahore on August 24 following the lifting of the ban on the Punjab Congress by the Provincial Government.

Mian Iftikharuddin, President of the Punjab Congress, has today wired to Sardar Pratapsingh, M.L.A. General Secretary and Mr. Ramkrishna, Office Secretary, P. P. C. C., to issue invitations for the Working Committee meeting on this date as also to arrange for taking over the Bradlaugh Hall, Headquarters of the Punjab Congress from the Punjab Government who has been in possession of it since August 1943; he has also instructed them to reopen the office of the Punjab Congress forthwith.

Mian Iftikharuddin is reaching Lahore on August 22 for the Working Committee meeting.

It is learned that Pt. Jawaharlal will be meeting the Punjab Congress workers at the time of the Working Committee meeting.

Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, accompanied by Mian Iftikharuddin and Shrimati Indira Gandhi left today for Shopian from where he will begin his tour early tomorrow morning partly on pony and partly on foot for Kansaknag, famous for its charming lake with icebergs floating.

He is returning to Gulmarg on August 16 to spend three more days with the Congress President, Maulana Azad and Mr. Asaf Ali.

CONGRESS SECRETARY'S TELEGRAM TO PREMIER

LAHORE, August 13 (A.P.I.): Sardar Partapsingh, General Secretary of the Punjab Provincial Congress Committee has sent a telegram to the Punjab Premier, Malik Khizar Hyat Khan Tiwana, requesting him to restore the Bradlaugh Hall, the Lajpatrai Bhavan and the Jallianwala Bagh to the Congress Committee.

Gandhiji To Tour South India In December

MADRAS, August 12 (U.P.I.): Interviewed on his return to Madras after meeting Mahatma Gandhi, Mr. Satyanarayan, General Secretary, Dakshina Bharat Hindi Prachar Sabha, Madras, said that he was now in a position to announce that Mahatma Gandhi would be visiting South India in the second week of December. The occasion of Gandhiji's visit to South India would be utilised by the Sabha for consolidation and expansion of its organisation which is sufficiently widespread today, and the trustees of the Sabha, including Dr. Pattabhi Sitaramayya, Mr. C. Rajagopalachari and Mr. K. Srinivasan have issued an appeal for Rs. 5,00,000.

BHARATPUR DETENUS RELEASED

BHARATPUR, August 13 (A.P.I.): Under instructions from the Maharaja of Bharatpur all the workers of the Bharatpur Rajya Praja Parishad numbering about a dozen at present in detention or under trial have been set free. They include Munshi Ali Mohammad Khan, President of the Parishad, and Mr. Jugal Kishore Chaturvedi, leader of the Parishad Party in the State Legislature.

RELEASED AND INTERNED

CHITTAGONG, August 13 (U.P.I.): Mr. Smriti Bhusan Chaudhuri who was detained as a security prisoner since March, 1942 was recently released from the Dum Dum Special Jail. On arrival at Chittagong he has been served with a prohibitory order Ordinance III of 1944 restraining his movements beyond his own village. He has also been ordered to present himself at the Sitakund Police Station once a week.

ASSAM CONGRESS DEMANDS REPRESENTATION ON WORKING COMMITTEE

GAHUATI, August 12 (A.P.I.): The Assam Provincial Congress Committee which met at Nowgong last Friday, after a lapse of three and a half years, under the Presidency of Mr. Mohammed Tayebulla, unanimously adopted a resolution requesting Maulana Abul Kalam Azad, the Congress President, to nominate an Assam Congressman to fill the vacancy in the Congress Working Committee and also to include an Assam Congress representative in Committee, in future.

TEJ BAHADUR'S TRIBUTE TO LATE SIR N. N. SIRCAR

ALLAHABAD, August 13 (UPI):—Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru paying tribute to Sir N. N. Sircar, who died yesterday observed: "I was shocked to read the news of the death of my old and respectable friend, Sir N. N. Sircar, I do not think after the late Lord Sinha any other lawyer in Calcutta or anywhere else in India has achieved such a distinction. He and I were together in England and during the sittings of the Joint Parliamentary Committee in 1933 nobody could have pleaded for the cause of India more fervently or with greater emphasis than he did. "His death is an irreparable loss to India and in him passes one of the most striking figures of the national life of Bengal."

Saprú On Arundale's Death

ALLAHABAD, August 13 (UPI)

Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru has sent a telegram of condolence to Mrs. Rukmini Devi, wife of Dr. Arundale: "Deeply sympathise with you in your irreparable loss. Dr. Arundale's services to India can never be forgotten."

KANGA'S XI BEAT MYSORE TEAM

BANGALORE, August 13 (API): Dr. Kanga's Bombay XI beat Mysore State Cricket Association team by nine wickets.

Scores: Mysore:—121 and 216.

Bombay: 213 and 125 for one (Mankad 416, Merchant not out 40, Aibara not out 27).

INDIAN TELEPHONE LINES MONITORED

Seaport Towns Especially Cautioned

NEW DELHI, August 13 (A.P.I.): Monitoring of telephone lines has started at various ports in India under Rule 17 of the Defence of India Rules to check possible breaches of security by careless telephone conversations, says an announcement from C.H.Q. (I).

The telephone is regarded as being one of the most dangerous potential sources of leakage, especially in seaport towns, because conversations on it are liable to be overheard at all times. Any person found guilty of a breach of security will be liable to prosecution and withdrawal of telephone facilities.

The public are earnestly requested not to divulge any information over enemy. The following are the subjects which should be particularly avoided:

(a) Locations, past, present or future, of convoys or any naval, military or air force units and detachments; (2) description of naval, military or air force armaments or equipment of any sort; (c) identifications, real or supposed, of units, formations, etc.,; (d) plans or intentions connected with future operations whether known, rumoured or supposed; (e) communications, such as the use, condition or probable extention of roads, railways, docks, air fields etc. and (f) in general and especially, any activity connected with the fighting services which seem unusual or abnormal.

Except in so far as it amounts to a breach of security, information obtained by such listening will be treated as secret.

Kashmir Valley Towns Plunged In Darkness

Water-Feeding Canal Struck By Lightning And Current Cut Off

GULMARG, August 12 (API): The Kashmir valley's only Hydro-Electric works at Ramput has gone out of action, its water feeding canal having been seriously struck at one point by lightning during a severe storm. Consequently Gulmarg, Srinagar, and other towns in the Kashmir Valley were last night plunged in darkness and have been without electric supply for the last 20 hours. They are faced again to-night with the prospect of complete blackout though the staff has been working hard to restore the damaged canal and thus restart the Hydro-Electric wires.

Commonwealth Party To Be Dissolved

British Election Results Lead To Urge For Closure Of Youngest Organisation

LONDON August 12: Reuter understands that dissolution of the Commonwealth Party—Britain's youngest political organisation—was urged by its leaders, Sir Richard Acland and Tom Wintringham, at a meeting today of the Party's National Committee.

In the new Parliament the Party has secured only one seat while 16 candidates including Sir Richard Acland lost their statutory deposits to the State for failing to obtain one-eighth of the total votes in their constituencies.

The Committee has agreed to hold a special conference next month to decide the future of the Party.

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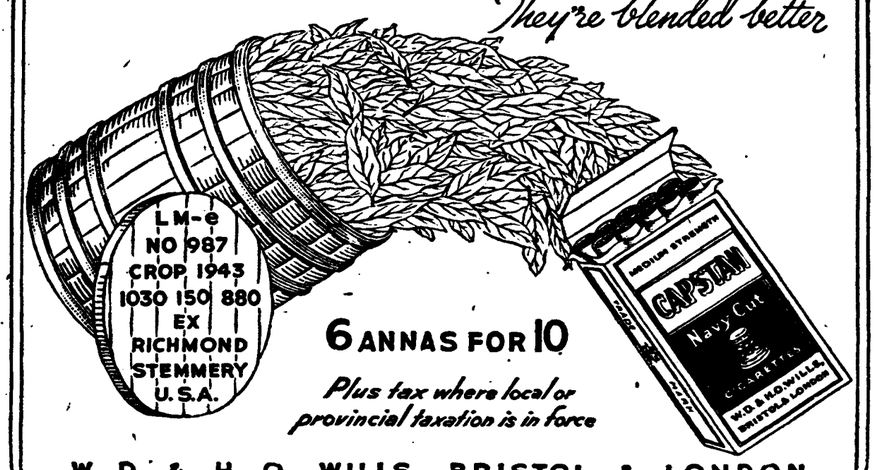
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Renewed Buying On Stock Exchange In Steel Shares

COTTON AFTER TWO-SIDED RAPID MOVES STEADIES WITH UNCERTAIN TENDENCY

Bullion Quotations Recover On Cessation Of Gold Sales

BOMBAY, August 13.

The Bombay Stock Exchange ruled steady on professional support. Cotton was uncertain with rapid price movement. Bullion quotations firmed up on cessation of gold sales.

The decision to keep the Bombay Stock Exchange open daily from 12 noon to 5.30 p.m. was greatly resented by the members of the Staff Union and as a protest they refused to do any work to-day. Thus there was no business in the market. Privately Tata Steel Dfds were quoted at Rs. 2160.

Later on at 2 p.m. normal trading was resumed in the market. Tata Steel Dfds opened at Rs. 2140 and after improving to Rs. 2160 reacted to Rs. 2150. Ordinary Shares opened at Rs. 396 and quietened at Rs. 395. Bombay Dyeing Shares opened at Rs. 1955 and after declining to Rs. 1945, advanced to Rs. 1962 and steadied at Rs. 1955.

There was more disposition to await Japanese peace news and trading was restricted. However the long range outlook being against there was moderate selling in cotton mills shares otherwise the market was quiet. But scattered buying was appearing from time to time which imparted steadiness with small but steady recovery in quotations. Tata Steel Dfds stood at Rs. 2160 Ordinary shares improved to Rs. 398 Bombay Deyings were placed at Rs. 1958. Later on there was active buying in Steel Shares Dfds advanced Rs. 2190 and Ordinary Shares improved to Rs. 405 Bombay Dyeing were quoted at Rs. 1968. There was some professional support and tone was very steady but in views of Japanese peace possibilities we do not look for support at higher levels and prefer to unload holdings in strong markets. The market finally closed at 5-30 p.m. with Steel Dfds quoted at Rs. 2165 Ordinary Rs. 406 and Bombay Dyeings Rs. 1966.

MILL SHARES

Bombay Dyeing 1967/8 Century 900 Nagpur 366 Swadeshi 535 New Great 372 Simplex 296/8 Kohinoor 590 Colaba 214 Gokak 292 Phoenix 850 Mysore 290 Indian Bleaching 168 Swan 302 Finlay 282/8 Morarjee 727/8 Indore 718/12 Edward Sassoon 625

STEEL SHARES

Tata Steel Ord 405 Tata Steel Defd 2187/8

ELECTRIC

Tata Hydro 202/8 Andhra 1840 Tata Power 1870 Tram Ord 145

CEMENT

Associated Merger 208

INDUSTRIES

Burma 537/8 Alcock 415 Belapur 214 Shivrajpur 50 Steamer Ord 610 Scindia 36/7 Construction 198

CASH SECTION

MILLS: Apollo 3/14 Elphinstone 76 E U Ord 13/9/6 Dfds 2/9 Indian Mfg 3760 Kuria 242/8 Khatau 310 Dawn 1100 David 1300 New City 372/8 Minerva 236/4 Bradbury 321/4 Bharucha Dfds 978 Bharat 62 Madhavji 20 Model 248/12 Laxmi Cotton 1400 Vishnu Cotton 480 Western 3610 Sholapur 7800 Sassoon Cotton 20/8 Hindustan 3810 Meyer Sassoon 189/6 Tata Mills 64 Ahd. Advance 396/4 Sassoon Silk 81 New Union 24/12 Poddar 370 Madhusudan 438/12 New 83 Shri Nivas 365 Raja Bahadur Poona 126/4 Berar 310

ELECTRIC

Ahmedabad XR 176/13 Surat 236/4 Surat New Premier 115 Karachi 240/10 Broach 12/14 Ajmer 15/1 Amalgamated 18/8 Jaigaon 11/2 Nagpur 48 Bombay Suburban 211/14 New Premier 100

BANKS:

Reserve 139/8 Imperial 2210 P P 563/12 Central 84/12 India 189 Union 9 Baroda 149/8 Habib 82 International 46 A B C 37 Dena Bank 70 United 78 Jaipur 69 Hindustan 55 National Savings F P 73 P P 39/8 Mysore 382 Exchange 58/8

INSURANCE

Oriental 6600 Empire 1260 New India 60 Jupiter 33/8 Vulcan 16/2 Indian Mercantile 66 Vasant 25 Br. L. Gen. 26 Bombay Life 875 Ind. Prud 55.

RAILWAYS

Ahd. Prantij 725 C P. 110 Mymensing Reb 111/8 Guaranteed 115 Mandra Bhon 110/8 Sara Serajganj 117 Sialkot 118 New 54 Upper Sind 124 Pachora 98 Hoshiarpur 117/4

MISCELLANEOUS

Burma New 191/4 Burma Petrol 6 Tata Oil 71 Mackenzie 147/8 Port Canning 111 Zandu 211/4 Indian Radio Ord 455 B 411/4 Defd 425 Indian Investment Trust 119 Wimco 312/8 Tata Chemical 18/14 Dharamsi Chemical 41/8 Eastern Chemical 12/4 Mukund Iron 12/8 Delta Trust 26 Aiembio 330 Supreme Industries 227/8 Jam Wire 140 Bombay Uganda 81 Bombay Cycle 35 India Cement (1937) 34 Walchand Nagar Industries 615

PREFERENCE SHARES

Tata Steel 1st 226/4 Tata Steel Second 196 Tram 66/8 Andhra 1607/8 Tata Power 1722/8 Hydro 165/10 Bombay Steamer 347/8 Nagpur 732/8 Vishnu 802/8 Laxmi 300 New Great 251/4 Poddar 117 Elphinstone 128/2 Bradbury 548/12 Surat Elec. 206/4 Premier Const. 1st 137/4 Second 135 Amalgamated 153/12 Habib 50 Tata Chemical 127/8 Walchand Industries 283/12

OTHER SHARES

Indian Iron 40/13 Bengal Steel 33/7 Indian Copper 3/4/6 B. I. C. 7/7 Burma Corporation 6/1 New Victoria Mill 7/12 New Victoria Pref 9 Cawnpore Tex 13 Raja Tex 73 Phalton 155 Gold Mohar 300 New Kaiser-Hind 2460 Sajjan 450 Osmanshahi 310 Ajamshahi 590

BOMBAY COTTON

Unprecedented movement was witnessed in the local cotton market where about 175,000 Bales of September purchases were thrown out with the result that on Sunday September contract was done as low as Rs. 388 recording a drop of Rs. 44 per candy from the opening level of Rs. 432 on Saturday.

This heavy selling was accompanied by reports of a split in the Bull syndicate and it is understood that one member of the syndicate started liquidation. The market believed virtual end of manipulation all buyers withdrew. This absence of buying was mainly responsible for the unusual drop in prices.

However remaining partners again formed a pool on a new basis, and began to buy with the result that September contract advanced to Rs 415 on Sunday and the market opened to-day at Rs. 409 for September delivery and after declining to Rs. 407 improved to Rs. 410 on moderate support. It appears that normal conditions are now restored but the recent happenings are not without their bitter lessons.

It will be impossible to find any corner in the local cotton market for years to come particularly during the marketing period of the crop. It also suggests that mere money is not all that is needed to make a success in the market. Time and sentiment factors go long way in determining the course of prices and the syndicate must have learnt all these facts by now at a heavy cost.

There was renewed selling and September declined to Rs. 405 and steadied at Rs. 407. The market is still nervous and there is no disposition to have any interest in September contract.

Later on there was persistent selling and September declined to Rs. 398. At this level there appeared active buying and September improved to Rs 409 and again reacted to Rs. 403. There was no confidence in the market as business is always done beyond stipulated time and manipulation carried on with tepi mandi operations. These undesirable practices now come against the market and a section firmly believes that further decline is very likely to find bonafide demand, for September cotton. The market steadied at Rs. 403 with moderate business passing thereafter market was quiet and closed at 6 p.m. as under

I. C. C. Sept. 402 0 0

N.B.—After the close of the market business was done privately and September was quoted at Rs. 404

GOLD & SILVER

The Reserve Bank of India sold to-day 20,000 tolas Gold at Rs. 72/10 and notified that no sales will be made to-morrow. The news was followed by active buying in the local market and there was sharp recovery in quotations. Forward Gold opened to-day at Rs. 72/12 and advanced to Rs. 73/12 and later steadied at Rs. 73/4. Ready Gold was quoted at a premium of annas over the current settlement while next settlement stood annas lower. Forward Silver opened at Rs. 132 and rose to Rs. 133/12 but later declined to Rs. 132/8. Ready Silver was quoted annas four higher at Rs 132/12.

A prominent operator was a steady buyer. Silver for the next settlement was quoted Rs. 1/4 to Re 1/8 under current settlement. Final quotations were as under:—

	Rs.	as.	p.
Ready Gold	72	10	0
Gold. Settlement	72	8	0
Ready Silver	133	0	0
Current Settlement	132	11	0
Next Settlement	131	7	0
Sovereigns	49	11	0

BOMBAY PRODUCE

As a result of wild fluctuations in other city markets, the produce market found it difficult to arrange any important business. There was restricted trading groundnuts Goa delivery September/October delivery was quoted at Rs. 16/14 and new crop December/February business was reported at Rs. 16/7. No business was done in Castorseeds and nominal quotations for Bombay were Rs. 15/12, Goa delivery Rs. 15/14 and Navlakhi Rs. 15/10 Linseed C. P. and U. P. opened at Rs. 19/8 and declined to Rs. 19/2. Nizam State was quoted at Rs. 18/14 and Navlakhi delivery stood at Rs. 19/14.

Cotton Parity

Indian Cotton September Contract is 698 cent points below New York October at Exchange rate 331.

BANKERS' CLEARING.

Cheques delivered through the Bombay Bankers' Clearing House during the week ending 10.8.1945 were as under:—

Number of Cheques: 1,53,246
Amount of Cheques: Rs. 40,48,41,-254-7-4.

Calicut Quotations

CALICUT, Aug 13.

Cocoanuts Raw 75 Dry 90 Cocoanut-oil 865 Copra Office 230 Dilpasand 240 Madrasnottam 250 Goodgooda 240 Pepper Wynaad 325 Country 310 Dryginger Chernad 250 Ernad 235 Coffee Robusta 90

Adventurous Businessmen Corner Jutes And Collieries Shares To Wrest Managing Agency

LONDON, Aug. 13 (A.P.I.)

"The inflationary condition in India and profits from war contracts have increased the attempts of Indians to buy out British interests but this development has not been so great as might have been thought" declares the "Daily Express" today.

The "Daily Express" adds: "Small but powerful groups of adventurous Indian businessmen have got together on the Calcutta Stock Exchange made corners in shares of some of Jute mills and Collieries and attempted to wrest Managing Agency from British Hands.

Despite this, they have not succeeded in seducing 6 mills away from British Managing Agents out of 68.

It is thought that the present phase derived from the inflationary movement will pass away and, when it does, it is thought probable that Indians who desire to secure control of British properties will try to substitute legislative weapon for inflationary profits as chief means for securing their ends."

Hapur Market Review

HAPUR, Aug. 10.

BULLION:—Market had been maintaining a confident outlook till the declaration of war on Japan. Prospects of early termination of war in the Far East has unnervous the professional bulls leading to nervous liquidations and profit coverings. Silver full from 138 to 133/5 but has since then recovered to 133/12 Gold is now quoted at 75/8.

GUWAR AND BARDANA:—Guwar maintained a thoroughly steadier outlook due to the prolonged dry weather conditions and large scale Maha delivery buyings. Guwar has now been included in the category of Cattle fodder and its movements outside the region have been controled. Ready 8/14/8. Maha 7/0/9. Bardana is quoted at Ready 55/12 to 56/12 and Asuj 54/2.

FOOD GRAINS:—Unlike the Punjab where the market tendency is definitely easier, wheat markets in the U.P. have maintained a steady outlook and prices have been well maintained. Food grains supply position in the provinces though satisfactory on the whole is not plentiful. On the other hand but for substantial import of wheat from the Punjab, the position could have become embarrassing any day. There is particular shortage of grain and barley and peas is being freely consumed instead. Prices remained unchanged.

Weather during the week has been very dry. Rains are badly needed for maize fodder and sugarcane crops which were otherwise progressing satisfactory.

PULSES:—Markets remained very steady. It has been announced that exports of old Arhar and Arhadal would allowed now to the extent of 163,000 mds. from this register. Quotas have been fixed for different provinces. The wing are current quotations

Urad 16 Moong 12, Arhar New 7/8, Old 7 Stock 85 Khalil.

GUR:—Prices are rising steadily. There have been some despatches to other stations. Current prices are Gur 10/10/6. Jaggery Powder 12.

MUSTARD SEED:—Market is steady. Good quantities are being received through rail from near stations. Mustardseed 11, Oil 35.

Chicago Grains Going Down

CHICAGO, Aug. 11 (UPA) Prices of all grains on the Chicago Commodity Exchange moved downward at heavy liquidation occurred with expectation of peace.

Rye was the weakest, with July delivery down five cents per bushel, the permissible limit, before distiller buying and covering halted the down turn.

A Government crop report indicating a sharp improvement of the corn, and oats crops during July depressed feeds.

Closing prices for wheat:

Delivery	Previous	August 11
September	1.64 7/8	1.64—1.63 7/8
December	1.64 1/4	1.62 3/4—7/8

Hapur Quotations

HAPUR, Aug. 13.

Wheat 10/4 Peas New 8/4 Old 6/8 Bejhar 9/6/6 Arhar New 7/8 Old 7 Urad 16 Moong 12 Masoor 10 Markets steady on good demand. Stocks wheat 35 Peas 96 Bejhar 8 Arhar 85 Khattis. Slight showers received but more rains badly needed. Gur 10/6 Jaggery Powder 12 Mustarseed 11, Oil 35. Futture market nervous after Japanese surrender offer and now recovering from the first shock. Silver improving on profit covering purchases. Bardana ready 52/11 to 53/12 Ausuj 51/6 Guwar ready 8/1 Maha 6/9/8 Silver 130/4 Gold 71/4.

MONEY MARKET

BOMBAY, Aug. 13.

LONDON: Banks Buying 60 Days/st 1/6 7/32 1 and 2 months 90 Days/st. 1/6 1/4 3 to 6 months

B. C. RATES: T. T. 1/5 15/16 D. D. 1/5 15/16.

Banks selling T. T. 1/5 31/32 D. D. 1/5 31/32.

Banks buying T. T. 1/6 1/32 D. D. 1/6 3/32.

LDN/NEW YORK:

Banks selling T. T. Rs. 332 3/4 D. D. Rs. 332 3/4.

Banks buying T. T. Rs. 329 1/2 D. D. Rs. 328

LDN/MONTREAL:

Banks selling T. T. Rs. 302 1/2 D. D. Rs. 302 1/2.

Banks buying T. T. Rs. 297 3/4 D. D. Rs. 296-1/4

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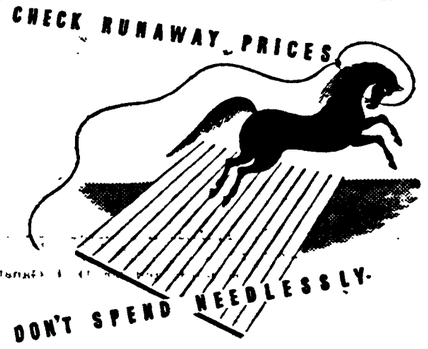
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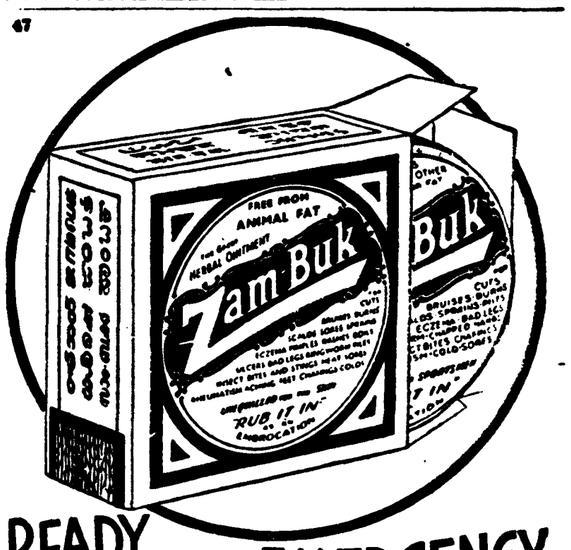


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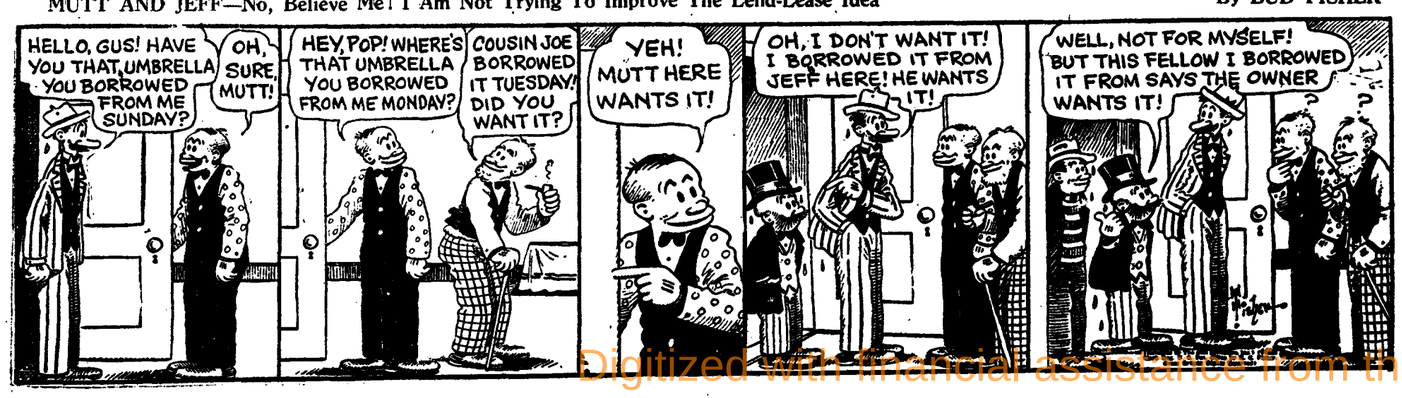
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AUCTION SALES

About Five thousand bales of Sea damaged South African wattle bark will be sold by Public Auction in convenient lots at the Block House, South of South Quay, in Madras Harbour on SATURDAY, the 18th August, 1945, at 10 A.M. GALLEY & CO., Lloyds Insurance and Govt. Auctioneers, Mount Road, Madras.

PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTIFICATION BY THE COMMISSIONER OF POLICE, BOMBAY.

No. 12727|393 of 1945:—The Commissioner of Police, Bombay, hereby cancels Notification No. 107|393 published in the Bombay Government Gazette (Extraordinary), dated the 6th Jan. 1942 in so far as it relates to the lighting of Motor Vehicles.

2. Rule 2 of the aforesaid Notification which refers to external lighting will continue to be enforced and reads as follows:—

"2. No light whether intended for decoration, advertisement or any other purpose shall be exhibited on the outside of any building or construction or any plot of land or in any street or open place.

Note:—This rule shall not apply to lights used solely for lighting the entrances to compounds or buildings.

3. Any Police Officer or any other officer empowered in this behalf by the Commissioner of Police may take action against persons offending the provisions of rule 2 above.

H. E. BUTLER,
Commissioner of Police.

Head Police Office,
Bombay, 11th August, 1945.
(4439)

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEPARTMENT OF SUPPLY,

Office of the Controller of Supplies, "Strand House", Ballard Estate, Bombay.

TENDER NOTICE

TENDERS ARE INVITED for purchase of approximately 80 tons of waste tarred paper recovered from packing cases of timber available at the Government Timber Salvage Depot, Matunga. (Near Wadala Road Station, G.I.P. Rly.) The material can be inspected at site by direct arrangement with the Officer-in-Charge, Government Timber Salvage Depot, Matunga. The material can possibly be used as waterproof covering or for lining and packing stores, etc.

The General Conditions of sale will be as per Con. 117, which can be inspected in this office. The material is offered for sale without guarantee of condition or quantity and intending purchasers are required fully to satisfy themselves of the quality of the material before submitting quotations. Tenders may be submitted either for the entire quantity or for a part thereof, and should be sent in sealed covers superscribed "TENDER No. CS|SYD|4463 DUE ON 24-8-1945." Tenders must be accompanied by a deposit at call receipt for Rs. 200|- deposited as earnest money in the Reserve Bank of India, Bombay, or any Government Treasury in favour of Controller of Supply Accounts, Bombay, to the Head of Account "Revenue Deposits." Tenders should reach this office not later than 4 P.M. on 24-8-1945 and should remain open for acceptance till 5-9-1945. Delivery will be ex site and successful tenderers will be required to complete delivery within a fortnight of receipt of the sale order. (4419)

BOMBAY PORT TRUST
RAILWAY.

TENDERS ARE INVITED for 1, 3 and 5 years respectively for (1) unloading cotton bales from Railway wagons and placing them on end on the platforms inclusive of such sorting out of bales as is necessary; (2) for loading cotton bales from platforms into Railway wagons; (3) for sheeting and unsheeting and collecting and handling sheets and (4) for casual labour for weighments or other purposes at Cotton Depot station on the Sewri-Mazagon Reclamation, on and from 1st November 1945.

Tenders should specify the respective rates for 100 bales of each variety of cotton viz., Indian, African, American and Egyptian cotton for (1) and (2), per 100 sheets for (3) and per man per hour or part of an hour for (4).

Tenders should be superscribed "Tender" and addressed to the Manager, Bombay Port Trust Railway, Nicol Road, Ballard Estate, Bombay, and should reach this office on or before 4 p. m. on Monday 3rd September 1945.

The tenderer must give an undertaking that he will comply with the conditions of the Payment of Wages Act, and the Workmen's Compensation Act and agree to insure his employees with an Insurance Company approved by the Port Trustees.

The Port Trust does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

The successful tenderer will be required to execute an agreement, the terms of which can be seen at the Railway Manager's Office, and to bear the cost of stamps to be affixed thereto and must be prepared to deposit Rs. 5,000|- as a security for due fulfilment of the contract.

H. A. GAYDON,
Manager.

Railway Manager's Office,
Nicol Road, Ballard Estate,
Bombay, 11th August, 1945.
(4395)

NOTICE

KNOW ALL PERSONS to whom it may concern that it has been represented to us by Mr. AMBALAL TRIKAMBHAI PATEL holder of our policy No. 152588 and Mr. KISHOREHAI TRIKAMBHAI PATEL, holder of Policy No. 135656 issued in their favour that the said policy has been LOST and that it was not in any manner transferred or encumbered to which effect he has furnished us with an affidavit duly sworn to by him. In the premises, anybody dealing with the said policy will do so at his risk, and unless valid objections are received at this office within 15 days from the date hereof, the said policy will be made null and void and cancelled and a duplicate policy issued in his name in due course.

Secretary,
HINDUSTHAN CO-OPERATIVE INSURANCE SOC., LTD.
CALCUTTA.

Dated 14th Aug. 1945.
(9107)

NOTICE

THE JUPITER GENERAL INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED, GIVES NOTICE to all whom it may concern that it has been notified of the loss of Policy No. 15466 issued by the Company on the life of Mr. CHIMANLAL KODARLAL DESAI (Deceased) and that at the end of one month from this date a duplicate Policy will be issued in place of the lost Policy unless within the said period of one month objection against the issue of such duplicate Policy is lodged with the Company at the Head Office, Imperial Bank Building, Fort, Bombay.

E. S. JOEL,
General Manager,
The Jupiter General Insurance Co., Ltd.

Bombay, 14th Aug. 1945.
(9104)

IN THE MATTER OF THE BARODA COMPANIES ACT II OF 1913
AND
IN THE MATTER OF THE GAEKWAR OIL & CHEMICAL CO., LTD.
(In Voluntary Liquidation).

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a FINAL GENERAL MEETING of the shareholders of the GAEKWAR OIL & CHEMICAL CO., LTD (In Voluntary Liquidation) will be held at 4 P.M. (N.S.T.) on Thursday the 4th October 1945 at the Registered Office of the Company at 49, Apollo Street, Fort, Bombay, as required by the Baroda Companies Act (Section 215 (d)) for the purpose of laying before the Meeting an account of winding up showing how the winding up has been conducted and the property of the Company disposed of and giving any explanation in respect thereof, and also of determining by an EXTRAORDINARY RESOLUTION the manner in which the books of accounts, documents etc. of the Company and of the Liquidation thereof shall be disposed of.

BHARAT K. S. AIYAR,
Liquidator.

Dated this 14th August, 1945.
4430

CENTRAL PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

APPLICATIONS from all communities are invited for the posts of purely temporary Subordinates (1) Engineering, (2) Sanitary in the scale of Rs. 70-5-150-10-200|-.

The minimum qualifications for the posts are (1) Passed Overseers from recognised Institutions, (2) Passed Overseer from a recognised Institution with experience in Tube Well Sinking, Water Supply and Sanitary Works.

Experienced men will be preferred. The initial pay in cases of men with previous experience, will be fixed at a higher rate.

The applications must reach the undersigned by the 20th of August, 1945.

Superintending Engineer,
Eastern Aviation Circle No. II,
15|1, Chowringhee Square,
CALCUTTA.
4434

BOMBAY PORT TRUST
(Department of The Controller of Stores)

Notice regarding disposal by sale of steel scrap, iron scrap and cast iron scrap salvaged from the explosion in April, 1944.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Controller of Stores, Bombay Port Trust, invites at his office at Clarke Bunder, Mazagon, Bombay No. 10, tenders for the purchase in lots of the above scrap. The last date for the submission of tenders is 1 P.M. (N. S. T.), Monday, the 17th September, 1945.

Official forms of tender (which alone are valid) contain full conditions and particulars and are obtainable at the office of the Controller of Stores at Rs. 2|- per copy.

Tender forms will not be sent per V.P.P.

R. C. MASTER,
Controller of Stores.
4423

NOTICE TO SPECIAL JURORS

MEMBERS OF THE SPECIAL JURY, summoned for the current Criminal Sessions are required to attend the High Court, on the first floor on Tuesday, the 14th August, 1945, at 2-45 P.M. (S.T.)

J. B. GREAVES,
Sheriff of Bombay.

Bombay, 13th August, 1945.
(4440)

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION, BENGAL.

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED from male candidates of all communities to fill a temporary Gazetted post of Assistant Inspector of Technical and Industrial Institutions under the Director of Industries, Bengal on a fixed pay of Rs. 200 per month for a period of one year for the present with the prospect of being made permanent in the near future. Age—between 25 to 30 on 1-8-45. Qualifications—must possess a degree in Mechanical Engineering of a recognised University, preference being given to one having experience in Textile Engineering; must possess practical experience in a factory for at least two years and must have administrative experience. Full details may be obtained from the Secretary, Public Service Commission, Bengal, Darjeeling, personally or ON SENDING AN ADDRESSED ENVELOPE WITH A NINE PIES STAMP affixed. Application forms will not be supplied on receipt of mere stamps. Letters must not be addressed to the Secretary by name. Last date for receipt of applications on prescribed form, together with a treasury receipt for Rs. 5, 31st August 1945.
(4432)

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION, BENGAL.

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED from Muslim candidates of Sunni sect to fill a post of Additional Maulvi, Arabic Department, Calcutta Madrasah. The post is temporary but is likely to be made permanent. Persons holding substantive appointments or appointments on probation against substantive vacancies in the Education Department, Government of Bengal are eligible to apply. Pay—Rs. 150-700. Qualifications—Must be reputed Arabic and Persian Scholars and specialists in Islamic Theology, Hadish, Tafsir and Muslim Law; Should possess sufficient experience in teaching these subjects up to the highest standard in a well established Madrasah of Oriental Learning and some administrative experience. Age—Must not be over 45 years on the 1st August 1945, but relaxation of the age limit may be allowed upto 50 years in the cases of candidates who possess exceptionally high qualifications. Full details may be obtained from the Secretary, Public Service Commission, Bengal, Darjeeling, personally or ON SENDING AN ADDRESSED ENVELOPE WITH A NINE PIES STAMP affixed. Application forms will not be supplied on receipt of mere stamps. Letters must not be addressed to the Secretary by name. Last date for receipt of applications on prescribed form, together with a treasury receipt for Rs. 5, 25th August, 1945.
(4433)

BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY.
Stores Department.

TENDERS ARE INVITED for the supply of Low Pressure Ball Cocks, which should be addressed to the Municipal Commissioner and delivered at the Office of the Chief Accountant, Municipal Offices, Hornby Road, Fort, Bombay, not later than 1 P.M. (B.T.) on Wednesday, the 29th August, 1945.

Forms of Agreement, Schedule and Specification, will be issued by the undersigned, on payment of Rs. 2|-.

By order of the Municipal Commissioner,
A. H. K. SHAIKH,
Controller of Stores.

566, DeLisle Road,
Bombay No. 11.
Dated, 13th August, 1945.
(4437)

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEPARTMENT OF SUPPLY
Office of the Controller of Supplies (Disposals),
Strand House, Graham Road, Ballard Estate, Bombay.

TENDERS ARE INVITED for the purchase of the following mathematical instruments (all serviceable) lying with the Officer-in-Charge, Central Provision Depot, Dehu.

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3. Frames carrying Levelling staves and Tripods	180
4. Boxes P. T. plane table	311

The stores can be viewed at site by arrangement with the stockholder. Intending tenderers should submit their quotation superscribed Tender No. CS|MPD 3343 due on 27-8-1945 their own forms accompanied by deposit at call receipt for Rs. 200|- as security in the Imperial|Reserve Bank of India or Govt. Treasury so as to reach this office by 4 P.M. on or before 27th August, 1945. Offers must remain open till 23rd September, 1945.

The stores are offered for sale as they lie with all faults and errors of description and Government take no responsibility for the condition of the material or its suitability for any particular purpose. Intending tenderers therefore, should fully satisfy themselves about the condition of the stores before submitting their offers. The sale shall be subject to condition of Contract Con. 117.
4418

PUBLIC NOTICES

THE STEEL CORPORATION OF BENGAL, LIMITED
NOTICE

IS HEREBY GIVEN that the EIGHTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders of The Steel Corporation of Bengal, Ltd., will be held on Friday, the 14th September, 1945, at 11 a.m. at the Registered Office, 12, Mission Row, Calcutta, to transact the following business:—

(1) To receive and adopt the Directors' Report and Audited Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss Account for the year ended 31st December, 1944.
(2) To elect Directors.
(3) To appoint Auditors for the current year and to fix their remuneration.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Corporation will be CLOSED from the 7th to 14th September, 1945, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
BURN & CO.,
Managing Agents.

Calcutta, 14th August, 1945.
4404

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Mr. HOSHANG GUSTAD IRANI has contracted for the absolute sale to our clients of the undermentioned property. Any person or persons having any interest in or claim to the said property or any part thereof by way of sale, exchange, mortgage, gift, trust, inheritance, possession, lien, easement or otherwise howsoever are hereby requested to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at Whiteaway Laidlaw Building, 2nd floor, Hornby Road, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise, he she or they will be precluded from making the same and such claim, if any, shall be deemed to have been waived.

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Dated this 14th day of August, 1945.

PATELL & EZEKIEL,
Purchasers' Attorneys.
(4427)

LEGAL NOTICE

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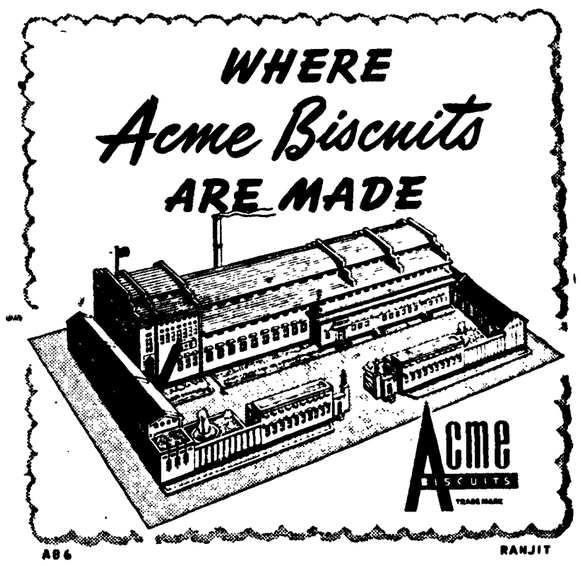
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